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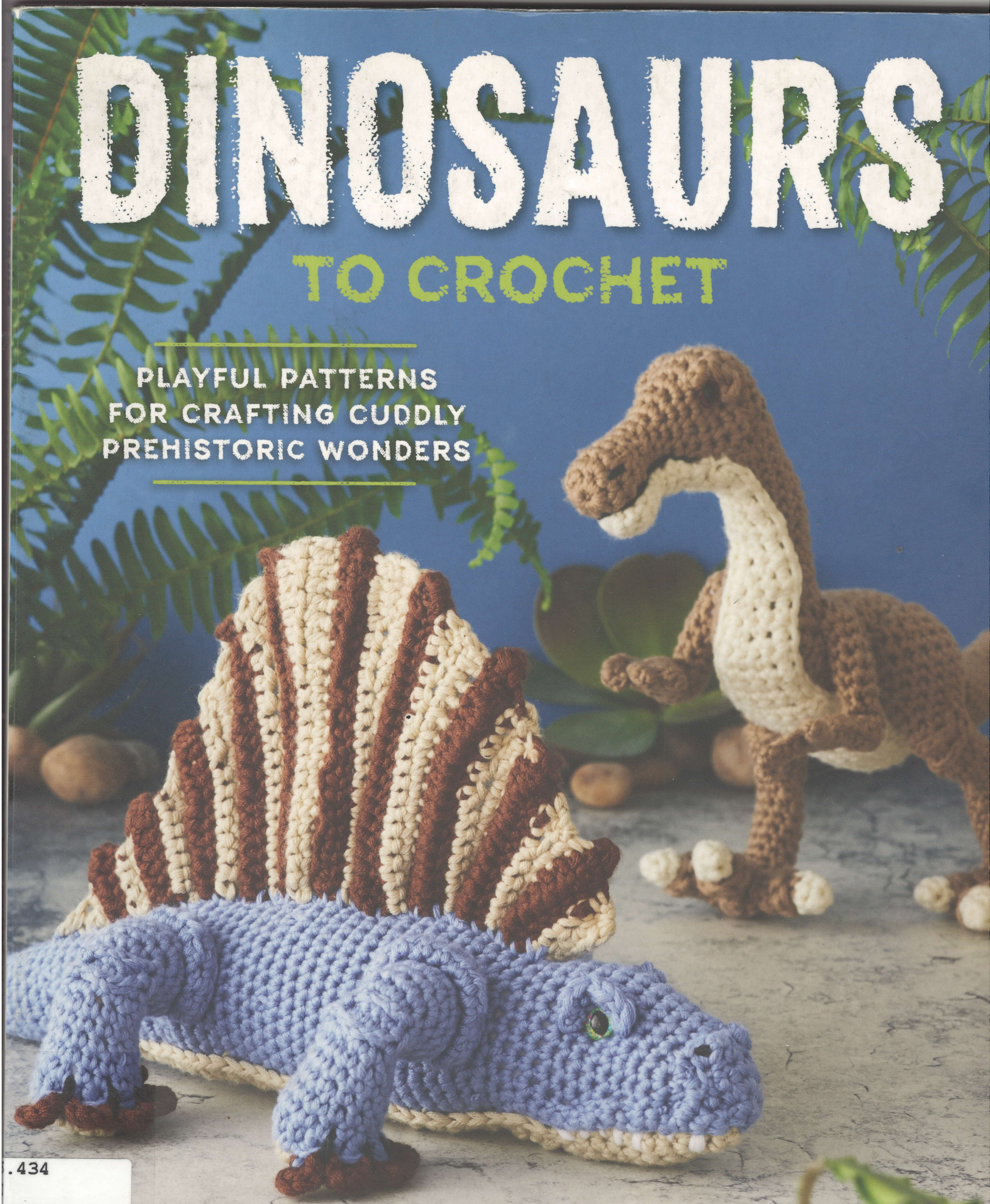

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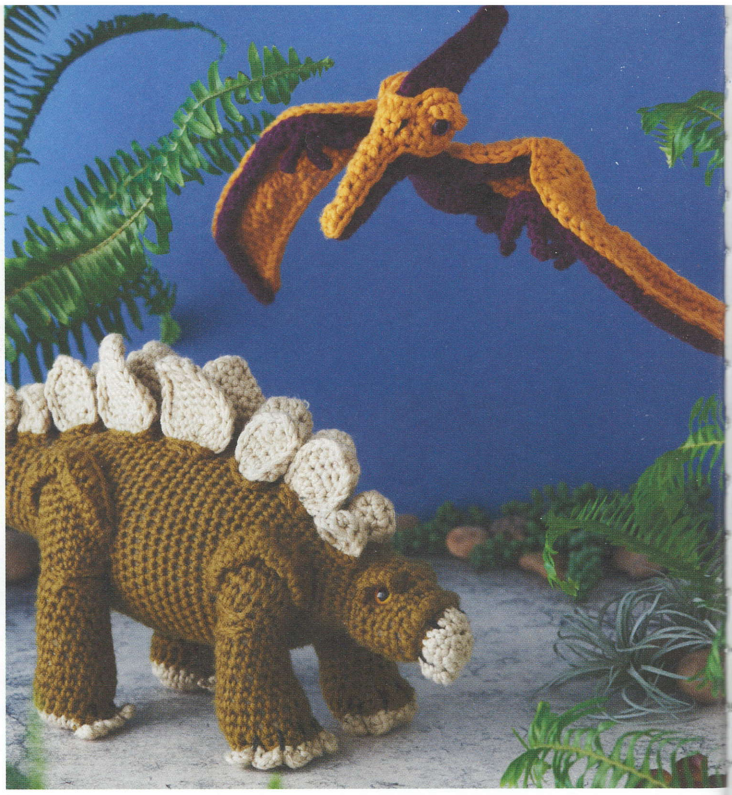

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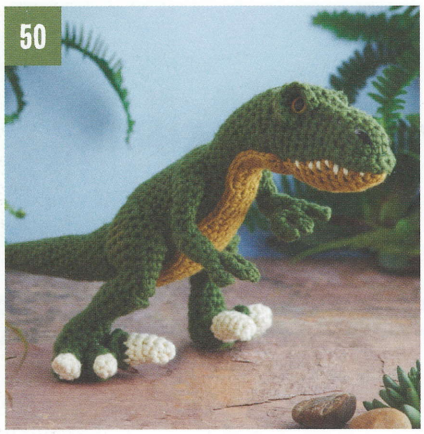

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INTRODUCTION

Whenever my family and I venture out to the natural history museum, our first stop is always the hall where the dinosaurs and their prehistoric reptilian friends hang out. My kids are fascinated by these amazing creatures, and were all-too-happy to request their favorites be included in this book: the fearsome tyrannosaurus, the spiky ankylosaurus, and the three-horned triceratops, all made from quick-to-hook chunky yarn.

With just a few basic crochet stitches and some imagination, you too can create a whole herd of cuddly stegosauruses, a flock of flying pteranodons, or a pod of swimming plesiosaurs. And, with an extensive how-to section featuring beautifully illustrated step-by-step crochet stitches, construction techniques, and finishing tips, you can rest assured that each and every project will please even the most discerning paleontologist-in-training.

Happy Crocheting!

Megan Kreiner

TOOLS AND MATERIALS

Because the projects in this book are going to be well-played with, it's always worth using the best-quality materials to keep your hard work from wearing out too quickly!

YARN

All the projects in this book were made using Berroco's Comfort Chunky bulky-weight yarn. You can find the colors used listed on the material sources page (page 121) in the back of this book and can purchase them online or through your local yarn shop. You can also use your favorite bulky or lighter weight yarns to make smaller dinosaurs, but be sure to adjust your hook size accordingly, to ensure a tight stitch.

STUFFING

Polyester fiberfill is readily available at most craft stores and will maintain its loft over time.

CROCHET HOOKS

Crochet hooks come in a variety of materials, sizes, and handle styles. It's ideal if you can hold and try out a hook or two out before purchasing. All of the projects in this book were made on a Clover Amour hook, size H (5.0mm). My personal preference is for a hook with an ergonomic handle to keep my fingers from cramping up. For the most accurate sizing, refer to the millimeter measurements when selecting a hook for your project. Refer to the chart on page 120 for crochet hook sizes.

When making toys, it's important to make your stitches as tight as possible so the stuffing inside won't show. If you find that your stitches aren't tight enough, reduce your hook size to reduce the gaps.

STITCH MARKERS OR SAFETY PINS

Metal safety pins or plastic stitch markers are useful for keeping track of the end of your rounds or for when patterns call out for "Place markers" (pm) to mark useful landmarks on your work.

NEEDLES

A few large/jumbo steel tapestry needles are a must for assembling your creatures. Skip plastic needles as they tend to bend. In addition to purchasing strong needles, also consider a small needle case for easy storage.

STRAIGHT PINS

Select a set of long straight pins with large or oversized heads so they don't get lost or fall through the stitches of your work. Pins will make it much easier to secure, balance, and adjust the placement of your crochet pieces before you start sewing everything together.

SCISSORS

When working with yarn, a good pair of fabric or sewing scissors will make for clean cuts and quick snips.

WIRES

To make your creatures more stable and posable, many of these projects include wiring options. Use 18 gauge paper-wrapped stem wire, which can be found in the floral craft section of hobby supply stores. If paper-wrapped wire is not available, select the thickest craft wire you can comfortably work with. When working with wire, consider investing in a pair of wire cutters; using your scissors can potentially damage your blades.

SAFETY EYES

Widely available 12mm plastic safety eyes come in a variety of colors and pupil shapes. For a link to where to purchase the eyes in this book, please refer to page 124.

If you find it difficult to install the washer onto the eye's back post, place the eye face down onto a hard but covered surface (like a placemat on a table) with the post sticking straight up. Place the safety backing over the post; then, using either a larger metal washer or a safety eye installation tool, push straight down to install the safety backing.

For toys intended for children under the age of three, please embroider eyes with yarn or embroidery thread, as a safety eye can pose a choking hazard if removed.

NOTIONS & STORAGE

Here are a few more goodies for your crochet toolbox:

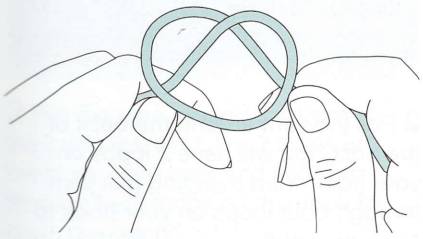
- **Stitch counter:** A row or stitch counter will help you keep track of where you are in your pattern.
- **Automatic pencil and sticky notes:** Great for jotting down notes and sticking them into your booklet as you work.
- **Project bags:** A small bag (like a pencil or makeup case) is great for storing smaller tools and notions; a larger bag can hold everything you need for your current project. Reusable canvas shopping bags make great project bags!

CROCHET STITCHES

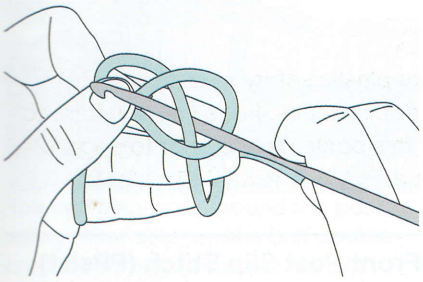
Whether you are brand new to crocheting or are a seasoned pro, this section will provide a complete overview of all the stitches used for the patterns in this book as well as some great tips and tricks on how to get the best results out of your work.

Slipknot

1 Make a loop with a 6-inch (15cm) tail. Overlap the loop on top of the working yarn coming out of the skein.

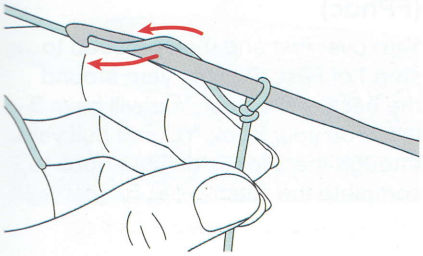


2 Insert your hook into the loop and under the working yarn. Gently pull to tighten the yarn around the hook.



Yarn Over (YO)

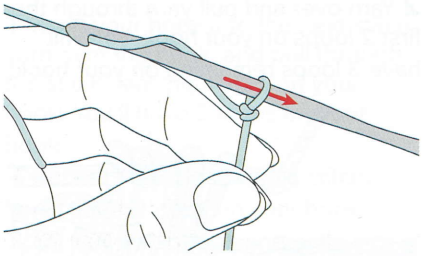
Wrap the yarn over your hook from back to front.



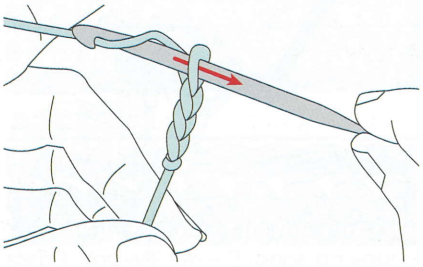
Chain (ch)

1 Make a slipknot on your hook.

2 Yarn over and draw the yarn through the loop on your hook. You will now have 1 loop on your hook with the slipknot below it.

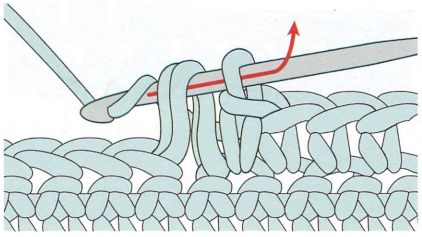


3 Repeat step 2 until you've made the number of chain stitches specified in the pattern. When checking your chain count, remember that only the chains below the loop on the hook should be counted.



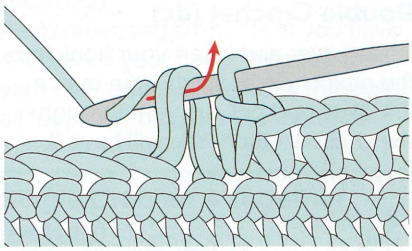
Slip Stitch (sl st)

Insert your hook into the next chain or stitch. Keep your tension as loose as possible, yarn over, and draw the yarn through the stitch and the loop on your hook.

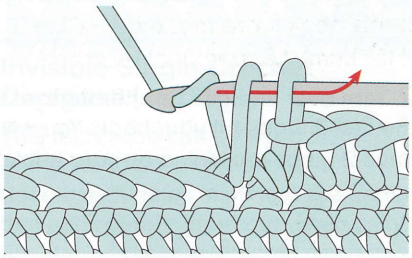


Single Crochet (sc)

1 Insert your hook into the next chain or stitch and yarn over. Pull the yarn through the chain or stitch. You will have 2 loops on your hook.

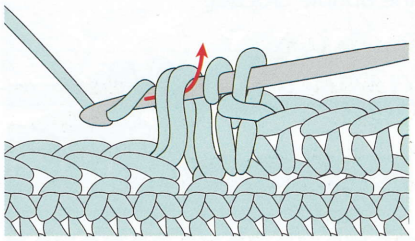


2 Yarn over and pull yarn through both loops on your hook to complete the single crochet.

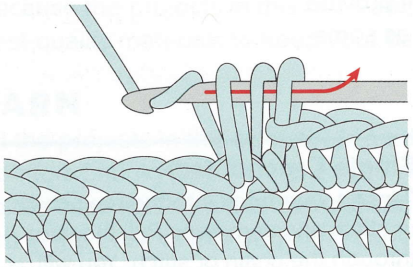


Half Double Crochet (hdc)

1 Yarn over and insert your hook into the next chain or stitch. Yarn over a 2nd time and pull the yarn through the chain or stitch. You will have 3 loops on your hook.



2 Yarn over and pull yarn through all 3 loops on your hook to complete the half double crochet.



Double Crochet (dc)

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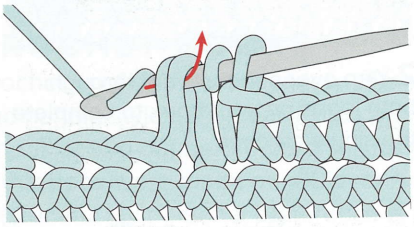
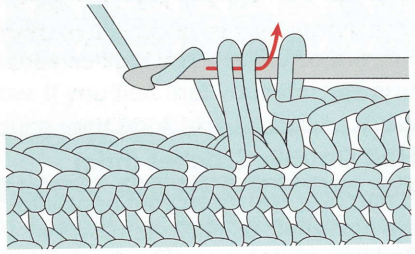
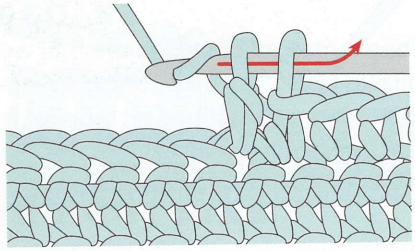


2 Yarn over and pull yarn through just the first 2 loops on your hook. You will have 2 loops remaining on your hook.

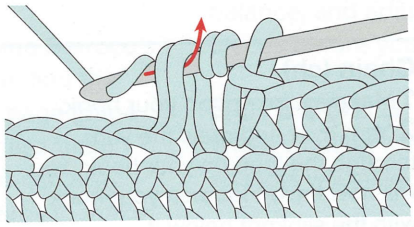


3 Yarn over and pull yarn through the last 2 loops on your hook to complete the double crochet.

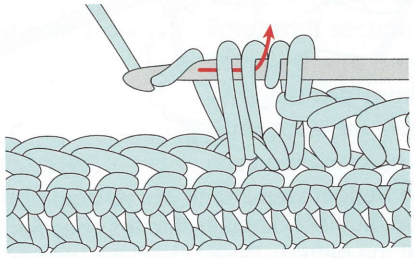


Treble Crochet (tr)

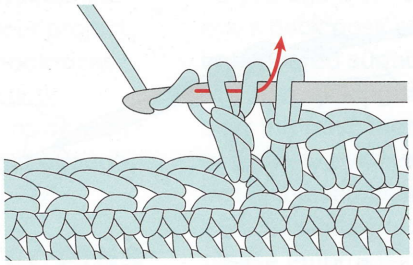
1 Yarn over 2 times and insert your hook into the next chain or stitch. Yarn over a 3rd time and pull the yarn through the chain or stitch. You will have 4 loops on your hook.



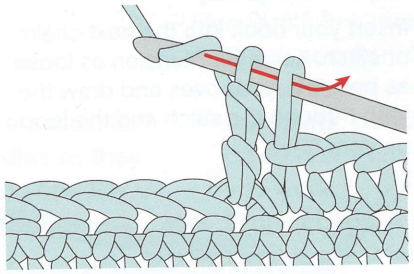
2 Yarn over and pull yarn through the first 2 loops on your hook. You will have 3 loops remaining on your hook.



3 Yarn over and pull yarn through the next 2 loops on your hook. You will have 2 loops remaining on your hook.

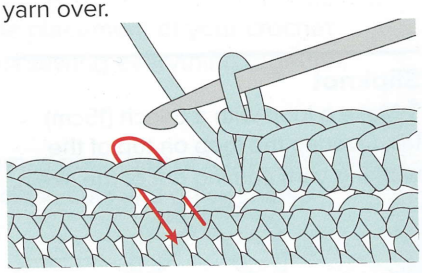


4 Yarn over and pull yarn through the remaining 2 loops on your hook to finish the treble crochet.

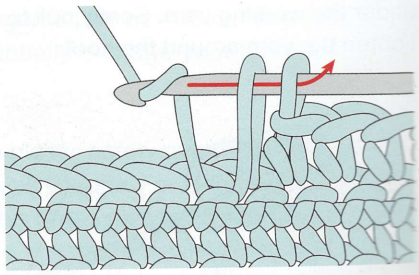


Front Post Single Crochet (FPsc)

1 Insert your hook below your next stitch to the right of the stitch's post. Work the hook around the post from front to back to front again and yarn over.



2 Pull the yarn around the back of the post. You will have 2 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull yarn through both loops on your hook to finish the stitch.



Front Post Slip Stitch (FPslst)

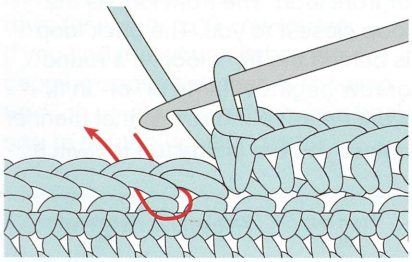
Follow step 1 for FPsc. Pull yarn around the back of the post and through the loop on the hook to complete.

Front Post Half Double Crochet (FPhdc)

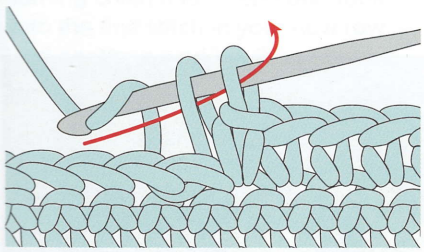
Yarn over first and then proceed to step 1 of FPsc. Pull the yarn around the back of the post. You will have 3 loops on your hook. YO and pull yarn through the 3 loops on your hook to complete the stitch.

Back Post Single Crochet (BPsc)

1 Starting behind your work, insert your hook below your next stitch to the right of the stitch's post. Work the hook around the post from back to front to back again and yarn over.



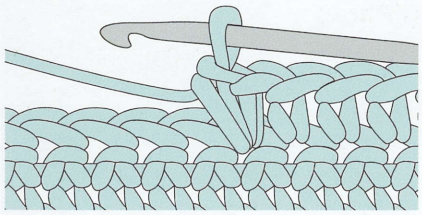
2 Pull the yarn around the front of the post. You will have 2 loops on the hook. Yarn over and pull yarn through both loops on the hook to finish the stitch.



You can also work around the post using other stitches like half double crochet (FPhdc/BPhdc) or double crochet (FPdc/BPdc).

Increases (sc 2 in next st)

Work 2 or more stitches into the same stitch when indicated.



Decreases

Patterns in this book use a variety of decrease options, such as crocheting 2 to 3 stitches together and/or skipping stitches entirely.

Skip (sk)

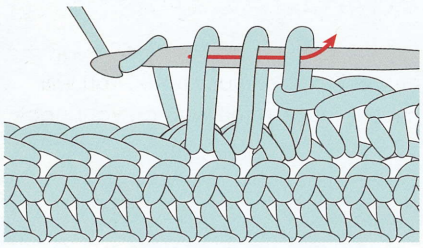
Per the pattern instructions, count and skip the number of stitches indicated before working the next stitch in the pattern.

Single-Crochet Decrease (sc2tog)

1 Insert your hook into the next stitch, yarn over the hook, and pull through the stitch, leaving a loop on your hook. You'll have 2 loops on your hook.

2 Repeat step 1 in the next stitch. You'll have 3 loops on your hook.

3 Yarn over the hook and pull through all 3 loops. You'll have 1 loop on your hook.



Half-Double Crochet Decrease (Hdc2tog)

Yarn over first and then proceed to step 1. You will have 3 loops on your hook. Yarn over again and proceed to step 2. You will have 5 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull yarn through all loops on hook to complete the decrease.

Double Crochet Decrease (dc2tog)

Yarn over first and then proceed to step 1. You will have 3 loops on your hook. Yarn over again and proceed to step 2. You will have 5 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull yarn through the first 4 loops on hook so 2 loops remain. Yarn over and pull yarn through remaining 2 loops to complete the decrease.

Single Crochet 3 Together (sc3tog)

Keep repeating step 2 until you have 4 loops on your hook. Proceed to yarn over and pull the hook through all loops to complete the decrease.

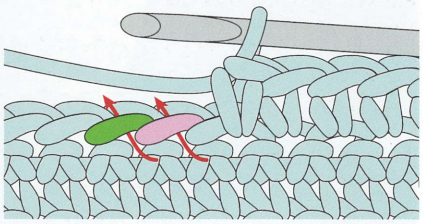
Single Crochet 4 Together (sc4tog)

Keep repeating step 2 until you have 5 loops on your hook. Proceed to yarn over and pull the hook through all loops to complete the decrease.

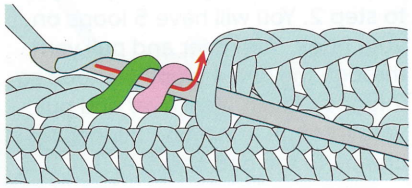
Invisible Single-Crochet Decrease (sc2tog)

This technique can be used instead of the standard single-crochet decrease. It helps eliminate the gaps that can sometimes occur when using the standard single-crochet decrease.

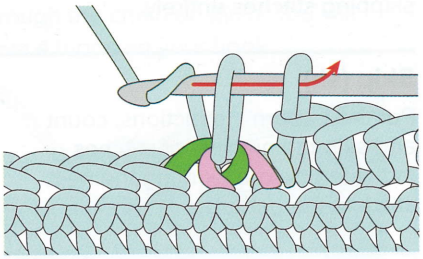
1 Insert your hook into the front loop of the next stitch and then immediately into the front loop of the following stitch. You will have 3 loops on your hook.



2 Yarn over and draw the working yarn through the 2 front loops on the hook. You'll have 2 loops on your hook.



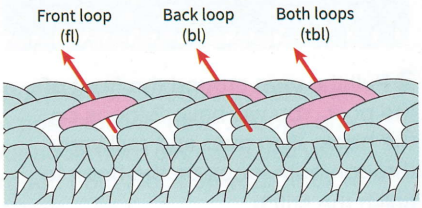
3 Yarn over the hook and pull through both loops on your hook to complete the stitch. You'll have 1 loop on your hook.



For an invisible half double crochet decrease (hdc2tog), yarn over first and then proceed to decrease as written for the single-crochet decrease until you have 3 loops on your hook. Yarn over and draw through all 3 loops to complete the stitch.

Working in Back Loops (bl), Front Loops (fl), and Both Loops (tbl)

Unless otherwise noted, work in both loops of a stitch except when the pattern instructs that a stitch should be worked in the back loop or front loop. The front loop is the loop closest to you. The back loop is behind the front loop. If a round or row begins with "In bl" or "In fl," work entire round/row in that manner unless you are instructed to switch.



CROCHET TECHNIQUES

Gauge

With a size H (5.0mm) hook and bulky yarn, the gauge for these projects should be about 14 stitches and 14 rows for a 4-inch (10 cm) square. If you find that your stitches are gapping and the stuffing is showing through your work, reduce your hook size to tighten up your gauge

Working in Rows

Work the pattern until you reach the end of your row. Turn your work. Before beginning your next row, you will be asked to make a turning chain per the pattern instructions. Once your chain is completed, skip the turning chain and insert your hook into the first stitch in your new row and continue working the pattern.

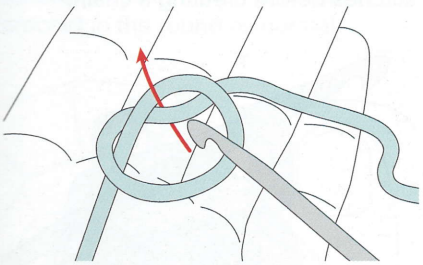
Working in the Round

Many patterns in this book are worked in a spiral round in which there are no slip stitches or chains between rounds. When you reach the end of the round, simply continue crocheting into the next. If needed, use a place marker to help keep track of where your rounds begin and end.

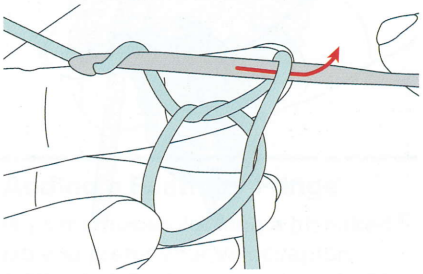
Adjustable Ring (AR)

The adjustable ring is a great technique that will minimize the hole in the middle of your starting round.

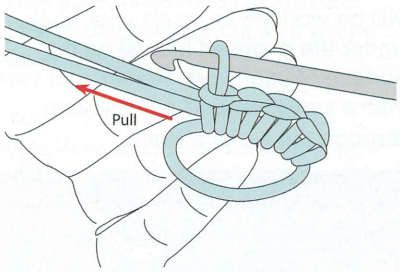
1 Form a ring with your yarn, leaving a 6-inch (15 cm) tail to work with. Insert the hook into the loop as if you were making a slipknot.



2 Yarn over the hook and pull through the loop to make a slip stitch, but do not tighten the loop.



3 Chain 1 and then single crochet over both strands of yarn that make up the edge of the adjustable ring until you've reached the number of stitches indicated in the pattern. To close the center of the ring, pull firmly on the yarn tail.



To start your next round, work your next stitch in the first single crochet of the completed adjustable ring. For patterns that require a semi-circle base shape, you will be asked to turn the work so that the back of the piece faces you before you make a turning chain and begin working the next row in your pattern.

Working in a Chain Space (ch sp)

Proceed with making your next stitch as you normally would, but in this instance, work your stitches into the space below the chain.

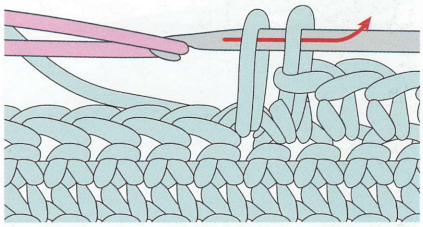
Right Side (RS)/Wrong Side (WS)

When working in the round, the side of your pattern perceived as the "right side" will affect which part of the stitch is the back loop versus the front loop. The 6-inch (15cm) tail left over from forming the adjustable ring will usually be on the wrong side of the piece. The same can be said for patterns that begin by working around a chain, provided you hold the 6-inch (15cm) yarn tail at the back of your work as you crochet the first round.

Changing Colors

Work the stitch before the color change up until the last step in which you would normally draw the yarn through the loop(s) on your hook to complete the stitch.

To change colors, yarn over the hook with your new color and draw the new color through the remaining loop(s) on your hook, completing the stitch. You can then continue on to the next stitch in the new color.



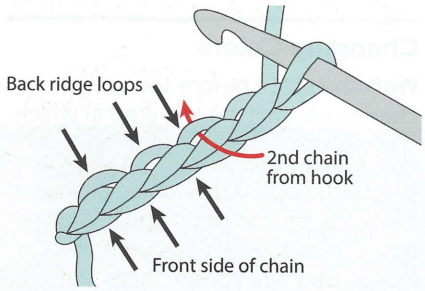
For color changes at the beginning of a new row, complete the stitch in your previous row and turn your work. Introduce the new color when you make your turning chain. Continue to work with your new color for the next row.

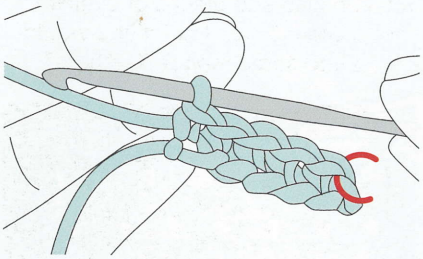
For color changes that take place in a slip stitch, simply insert the hook into the old color stitch, yarn over with the new color, and draw the new color through the loop on your hook to complete your slip stitch and the color change.

Working Around a Chain

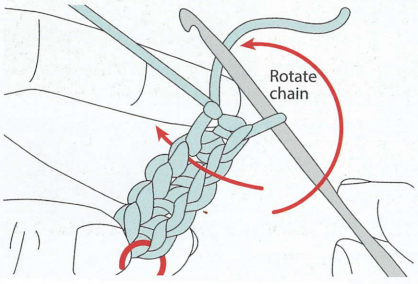
When working around a chain of stitches, you'll first work in the back ridge loops of the chain and then in the front side of the chain to create your first round.

1 Make a chain per the pattern instructions. To begin round 1, work your first stitch in the back ridge loop of the 2nd chain from your hook. Mark this stitch with a place marker to make it easier to find when you are ready to begin round 2. Work the rest of the stitches indicated into the back ridge loops of the chain until you've reached the last chain above the slipknot. Work the indicated number of stitches into the back ridge loop of this last chain.

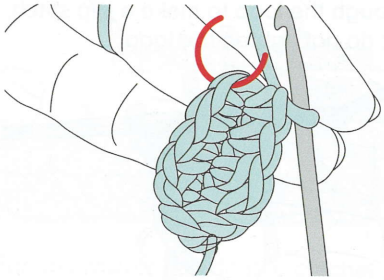




2 When you're ready to work the other side of the chain, rotate your work so the front side of the chain faces up. Starting in the next chain, insert your hook under the front side of the chain to work your next stitch.



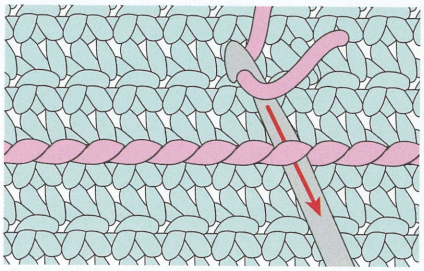
3 Continue working in the front sides of the remaining chains. Once the round is complete, continue on to round 2 (indicated by your stitch marker).



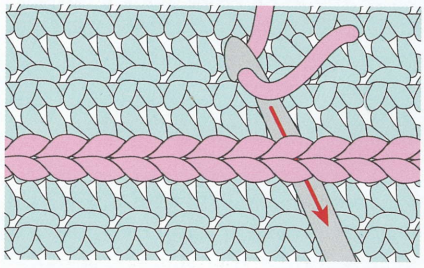
Working in Surface Loops

This technique will usually be worked in raised loops that will be visible after you've worked into the back loops or around the back posts of your stitches.

1 Begin by locating which round you will be working in. Insert your hook under the exposed loop(s) on the surface of your work. Rejoin your yarn with a yarn over and pull the yarn through the surface stitch.

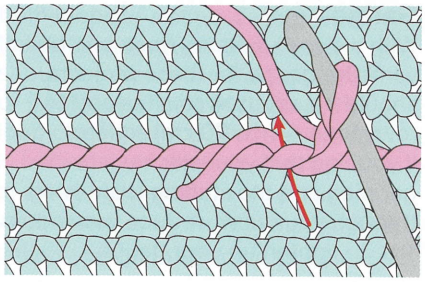


Exposed loops from working bl sc sts



Exposed loops from working BPsc sts

2 Chain 1 and apply a stitch (like a single crochet) into the same surface loop you started in. This will create your first surface stitch.

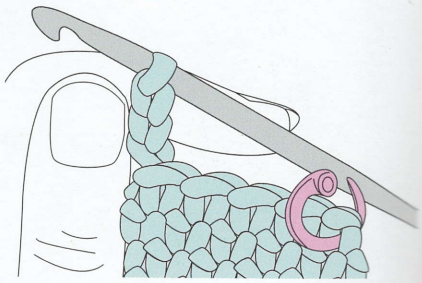


You can then continue to work in the remaining surface stitches in the round.

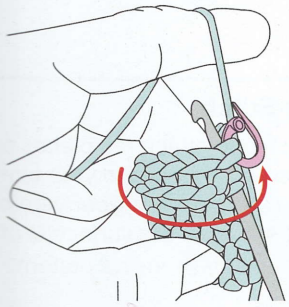
Leg Bends

To help your dino's legs bend in the correct directions, a combination of chain stitches and backtracking will be used to help build up and define the bends in the legs.

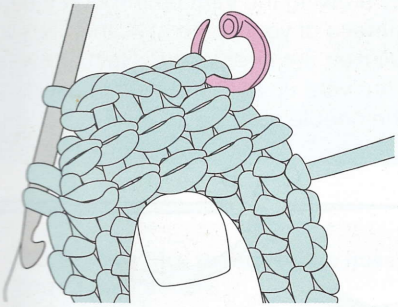
To create these bends, place a marker and work a set number of stitches before creating a chain.



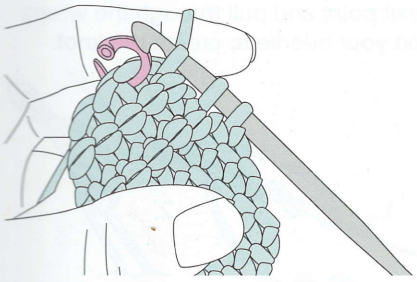
While keeping the chain in front of the work, bring the hook back to the place marker stitch. Hold the working yarn behind your hook and insert the hook into that stitch. Work the first stitch as instructed and replace the marker. The chain will lay in front of the work and serve as a ridge detail.

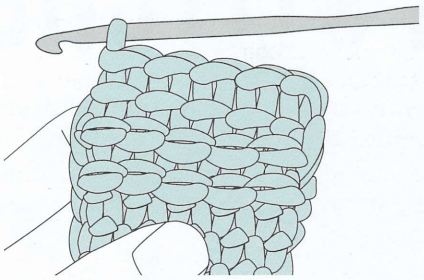


Work across as instructed; chain and repeat as many times as needed. Once you have built up enough rows to create the bend, you will crochet the edge of those rows together with the next stitch of the round to help close the gap on one side of the bend. Complete the round.



As you begin your next round, you will repeat the process of crocheting the other edge of the bend rows together with the stitch directly before it. You can then continue to crochet in the round as normal.





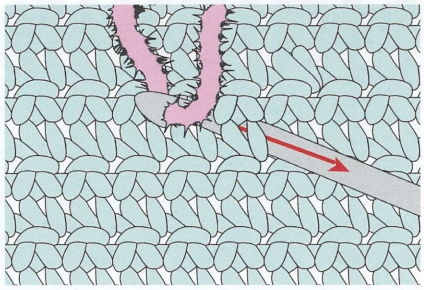
Adding a Feathery Fringe

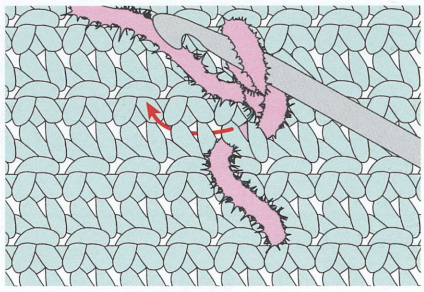
Is your dinosaur looking a bit naked? Do you prefer your velociraptors feathered? Eyelash yarn is perfect for creating a furry look, but crocheting with such yarns can make it difficult to see your stitches. Use this technique to add some fluffy fringe to your work while keeping your stitches easy to see during the crochet process!

Make your dinosaur as instructed but skip the belly patch, as it will be covered by fur.

Use a hook size appropriate for eyelash yarn. On the surface of your work, (sl st 1, ch 1) through one of the sc posts at either the beginning of the neck or at the tip of the tail. Sl st the eyelash yarn around each sc post, working in a spiral from one end of your dinosaur to the other. When you reach a section in which an arm or leg is in the way, work the area along the back between the limbs back and forth in a zigzag pattern until you are able to work in the round again. To cover the underside of the body between the limbs, reattach the yarn and work in rows in a zigzag pattern.

To cover the hip and shoulders in a fringe, (sl st 1, ch 1) in same sc post to attach yarn to the surface of your work at the top of the limb. Work back and forth in rows until you are able to work around the circumference of the limb and are happy with the coverage. A round or two above the leg bend detail works well.





To add a bit more flair, consider applying a 2nd color of eyelash yarn using slip stitches onto the top of the first layer of eyelash yarn in stripes or a back ridge detail. Once all the eyelash yarn has been applied, go over the surface with a comb to loosen up any eyelash fibers that might be caught up in the stitches. You can also add pieces of eyelash yarn using a fringe knot if you would like to add some longer "feathers."

When applying an extra layer of stitches to the outside of your work, you may find that your dinosaur will get slightly longer with the addition of the extra yarn.

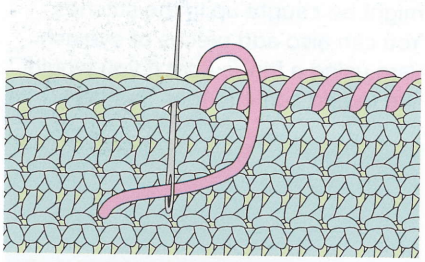
FINISHING STITCHES

Once your pattern pieces are complete, you can assemble and embellish your prehistoric herds with just a handful of basic stitches. To ensure all the final details end up in the right spots, look over the photos for each creature before you begin assembling them and use marking pins to help you work out the placement of your pattern pieces before sewing them together.

TIP: Leave long yarn tails when you fasten off the last rounds of your pieces. When assembling, use marking pins to test-fit the pieces together to ensure everything is even and balanced. Then, using the leftover yarn tails, place a single stitch at each marking pin to hold your pieces in place. Remove the pins and finish sewing your pieces down using a whip or mattress stitch.

Whip Stitch

Use this stitch to close flat seams. Hold the edges of your work together and, using your tapestry needle and yarn, draw the yarn through the edges before looping the yarn over the top of your work and back through the edges again in a spiral-like motion. Continue until the seam is closed or the piece is attached.

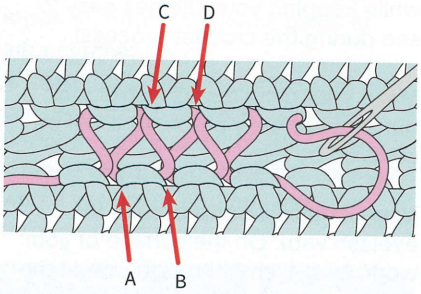


Mattress Stitch

The mattress stitch provides a nice tight seam when sewing crochet surfaces together.

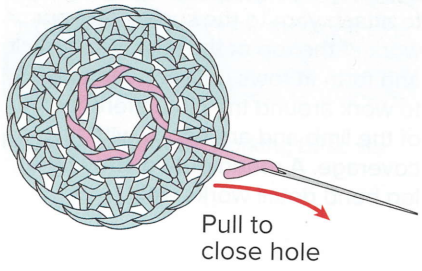
Choose a point on the surface or edge of your first piece and insert the needle from A to B under a single stitch and pull the yarn through.

Cross over to the opposite surface and draw your needle under a single stitch from C to D with the entry point at C lining up between points A and B on the first surface. Return to the first surface and insert your needle directly next to exit point B. Continue to work back and forth in this manner until seam is closed, pulling firmly after every few stitches to ensure a clean, closed seam.



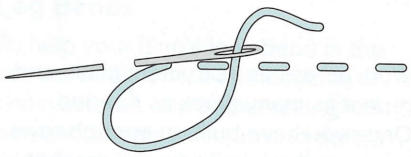
Closing Round Holes

For closing round holes, start by threading the remaining yarn tail onto a tapestry needle. Following the edge of the round opening, insert the needle through just the front loops of each stitch, effectively winding the yarn tail around the front loops of the stitches. When you've worked all the way around the opening, pull the tail firmly to close the hole (just like you were cinching a drawstring bag closed).



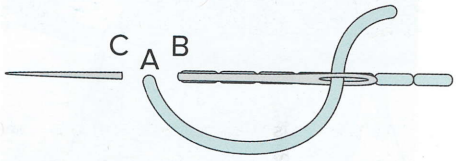
Running Stitch

Use this stitch to attach felt pieces or flattened crochet pieces to your work. To apply this stitch, draw your yarn or thread in and out of the surface(s) of your piece in a dashed line pattern.



Back Stitch

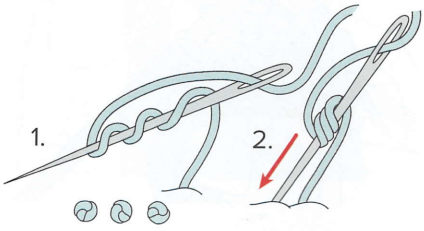
Use this stitch to create line details on the surface of your piece. Begin by drawing the yarn up through the surface of your piece at A and then reinsert the needle at B. Next, draw your yarn up at C and then reinsert the needle at A.



Continue to work in this manner to create a solid line of stitches.

French Knot

Wrap the yarn closest to your exit point around your needle 2-5 times. Insert the needle into the surface of your work as close as possible to the exit point and pull through the wraps on your needle to create the knot.



TIP: Try this trick to reduce the hassle of dealing with yarn ends when adding embroidery details!

Begin by inserting your needle about an inch (2.5 cm) from where you intend to start your embroidery stitch and leave a 4-inch (10cm) tail. Bring the needle up at the first stitch. Hold the yarn tail down with your fingers and work the first couple of stitches until the yarn appears to feel secure. When you finish your last stitch, bring the needle out at the same spot of the beginning tail and cut the end, leaving another 4-inch (10cm) tail. Knot the 2 yarn tails together, and then use a crochet hook or tapestry needle to draw the yarn and the knot back through the hole with a firm tug. Trim any visible yarn tails if needed.

STEGOSAURUS

FINISHED SIZE: 16½" long x 5" wide x 8½" tall (42 x 13 x 22cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

From the late Jurassic period, these "covered lizards" may have lacked a bit in the brain-to-body ratio department, but are still a crowd favorite with their impressive sets of defensive bony plates and spiked tails. The body was pitched forward with the head no higher than a few feet off the ground, allowing the tail more free range to fend off a hungry Allosaurus.

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in green (225 yds/206m), tan (150 yds/138m), and black (10 yds/10m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Large straight or marking pins
- Polyester fiberfill
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD, BODY & TAIL

With green, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 12.

Rnd 4: Sc 2, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) in fl of next st for a nostril, sc 2, (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) in fl of next st for the other nostril, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc 2. (16 sts)

Rnd 5: Sc 6, fold the (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) forward and sc 1 in bl at the base of the nostril, sc 2, fold the (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) forward and sc 1 in bl at the base of the nostril, sc 6. (16 sts)

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Rnd 6: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 7: Sc 20.

Rnd 8: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 9: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (28 sts)

Rnd 10: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 7 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 11: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 7 times. (14 sts)

If using safety eyes, install plastic eyes between rnds 8–9 with 6 to 7 sts of space between them.

Rnd 12: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 7 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 13: Sc 21.

Rnd 14: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 15: Sc 24.

Rnd 16: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnd 17: Sc 30.

Rnd 18: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 19–20: Sc 36.

Rnd 21: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 22–24: Sc 42.

Stuff head and body. Continue to stuff body as you work.

Rnd 25: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (48 sts)

Rnds 26–35: Sc 48.

Rnd 36: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 37–39: Sc 42.

Rnd 40: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 41–42: Sc 36.

Rnd 43: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnd 44: Sc 30.

Rnd 45: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 46: Sc 24.

Rnd 47: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnds 48–52: Sc 21.

Rnd 53: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 3 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 54–56: Sc 18.

Rnd 57: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 58–60: Sc 15.

Rnd 61: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 62: Sc 12.

Rnd 63: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 64: Sc 9.

Rnd 65: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 3 times. (6 sts)

Cut yarn and fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Finish stuffing tail, close hole and weave in end.

If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between rnds 8–9 with about 6 to 7 sts of space between them.

With green yarn, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.

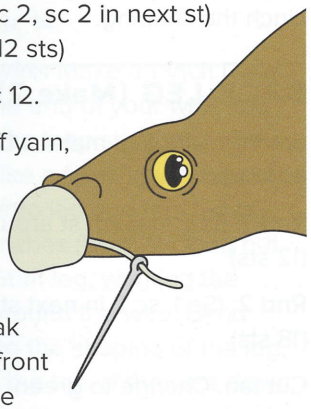
BEAK

With tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 12.



Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Place beak over the front of the face so covers the first 3 rnds of the head in front of nostrils. Sew edge down with mattress stitch. Weave in ends.

JAW

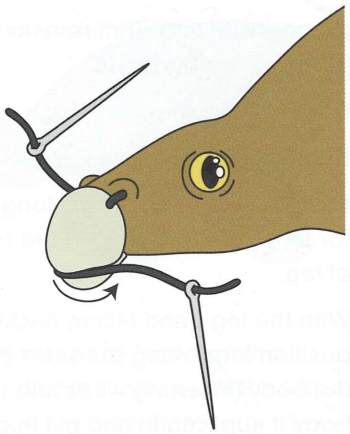
With tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnds 1–2: Sc 6.

Stuff jaw and sew back edge shut.

Offset the back edge of jaw by one row with the back edge of the beak. With tan, mattress stitch back edge of the jaw in place. Draw yarn through the jaw and beak to help hold the jaw closed. Weave in ends.

With black yarn and a tapestry needle, draw a long stitch out



from one corner of the mouth to the other, allowing the yarn to rest where the beak and jaw come together. The black will help accentuate the mouth line. If needed, apply a few evenly spaced small stitches over the long stitch to hold it in place. Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

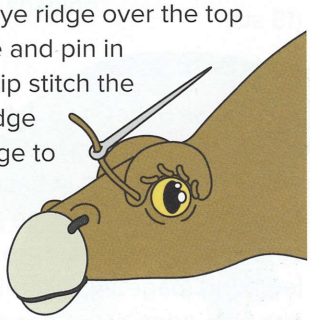
With black, embroider a short perpendicular stitch at the base of each nostril, overlapping the beak slightly.

EYE RIDGE

With green, ch 7.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 6 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head.



FRONT LEG (Make 2)

Starting with tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

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Cut tan. Change to green.

Rnd 3: Sc 18.

Rnd 4: Fpsc 18.

Rnds 5–6: Sc 18.

Rnd 7: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 8–11: Sc 15.

Rnd 12: Sc 5, pm, sc 6, (ch 5. With RS facing you, bring ch 5 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 6 sts) 2 times to create leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 3. (15 sts)

Rnd 13: Sc 3. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 10. (15 sts)

Rnd 14: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 15: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 16: Sc 21.

Rnd 17: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 7 times. (14 sts)

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim, leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

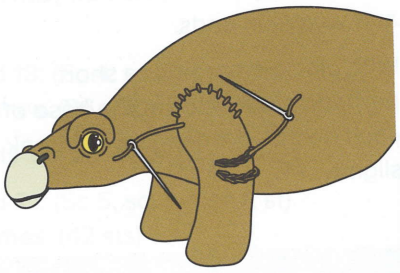
If not adding wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 18: Sc2tog 7 times. (7 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in the top of leg.

With the leg bend facing backward, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. Mattress stitch the edges of the upper half of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



FRONT TOES

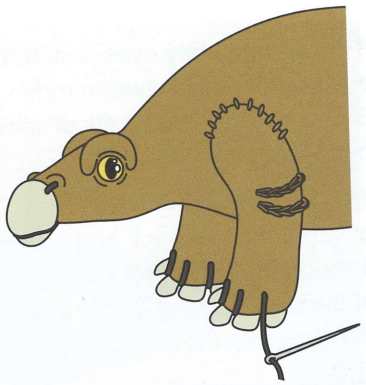
On rnd 3 of front leg, find the center of the front of the foot and mark with a safety pin or pm.

Row 1: Starting with green and with the dinosaur facing you, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in 4th st to the right of center pm (counts as first sc). Sc 8 more sts across front of foot, working from right to left, ch 1. Turn. (9 sts)

Cut green. Change to tan.

Row 2: Working in bl, [(sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st, sl st 1] 4 times, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st. (5 toes)

Fasten off yarn tails and weave in ends.



With black and a tapestry needle, embroider 4 long vertical stitches in the spaces between the toenails (working between rnds 4 and 2 of the front leg) to better define the toes, pulling gently as you sew to cinch the shaping.

BACK LEG (Make 2)

Starting with tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Cut tan. Change to green.

Rnd 3: Sc 18.

Rnd 4: Fpsc 18.

Rnds 5–6: Sc 18.

Rnd 7: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 8–13: Sc 15.

Rnd 14: Sc 5, pm, sc 6, (ch 5. With RS facing you, bring ch 5 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 6 sts) 2 times to create a leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 3. (15 sts)

Rnd 15: Sc 3. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 10. (15 sts)

Rnd 16: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 17: Sc 18.

Rnd 18: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnds 19–22: Sc 21.

Rnd 23: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 7 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 24: Sc 14.

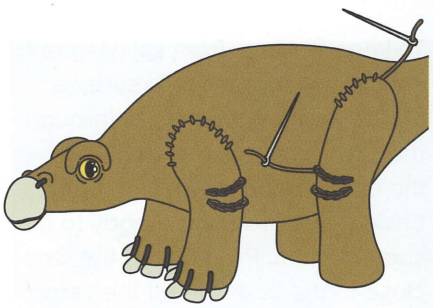
If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

If not adding wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 25: Sc2tog 7 times. (7 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in the top of leg.

With the leg bend facing forward, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. Mattress stitch the edges of the upper half of the legs to the sides of the body. The body will angle down slightly with the tail sitting higher than the head.



Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.

BACK TOES

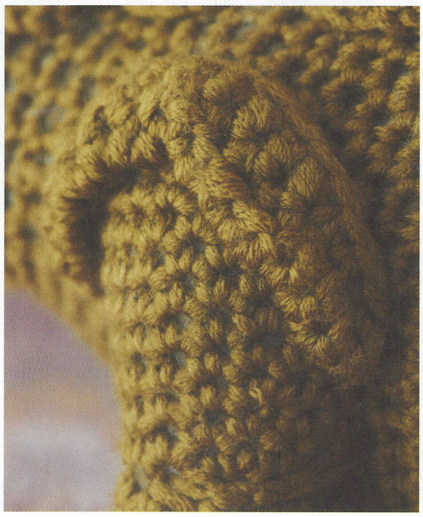
On rnd 3 of back leg, find the center of the front of the foot and mark with a safety pin or pm.

Row 1: Starting with green and with the dinosaur facing you, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in 2nd st to the right of center pm (counts as first sc). Sc 4 more sts across front of foot, ch 1. Turn. (5 sts)

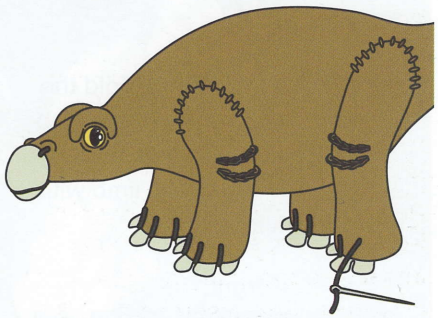
Cut green. Change to tan.

Row 2: Working in bl, [(sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st, sl st 1] 2 times, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st. (3 toes)

Fasten off yarn tails and weave in ends.



With black and a tapestry needle, embroider 2 long vertical stitches in the spaces between the toenails (working between rnds 4 and 2 of the back leg) to better define the toes, pulling gently as you sew to cinch the shaping.



SHOULDER FLAP (Make 2)

With green, ch 13.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 3, hdc 6, sc 3. Turn. (12 sts)

Rows 2–4: Ch 1, sc 3, hdc 6, sc 3. Turn. (12 sts)

Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

HIP FLAP (Make 2)

With green, ch 17.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, hdc 8, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

Rows 2–4: Ch 1, sc 4, hdc 8, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Wrap the sl st edge of hip/shoulder flap over the top of the hip/shoulder, flattening the flap against the body. Working along the underside of the flap, whip stitch the sl st edge to where the top of

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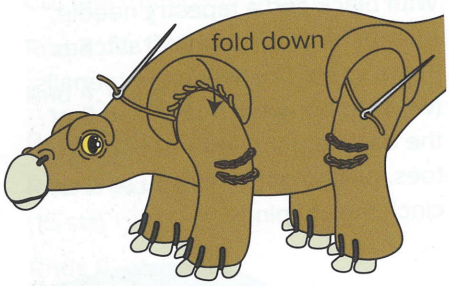
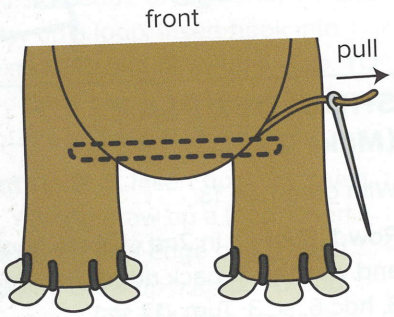


the limb meets the body. Fold the flap down over the top of the limb and tack down the inside surface of the flap to the top of the limb with a few small stitches.



To keep the legs from splaying out, attach yarn to the inside surface of one front leg, pass yarn through the body to the inside surface of the opposite front leg, and then back again through the body to the starting point. Pull to draw the legs close to the body, tie off the yarn, and weave in the end. Repeat on back legs.

SMALL PLATE (Make 6)

In tan, make a 4-st adjustable ring, but do not close hole too tightly.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc2tog 4 times. (4 sts)

Flatten plate. Sc up side edge of the plate until you reach the 4-st adjustable ring at the top. (Sc 1, ch 2, sc 1) into the 4-st adjustable ring at the top of the plate to make a spike, then continue to sc down and around the edge of the plate (holding the open edges of rnd 3 tog while you work) until you reach your first sc edge stitch. Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

MEDIUM PLATE (Make 6)

In tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring, but do not close hole too tightly.

Rnd 1: Sc 6.

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 3: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 4: Sc 12.

Rnd 5: Sc2tog 6 times. (6 sts)

Flatten plate. Sc up side edge of the plate until you reach the 6-st adjustable ring at the top. (Sc 1, ch 2, sc 1) into the 6-st adjustable ring

at the top of the plate to make a spike, then continue to sc down and around the edge of the plate (holding the open edges of rnd 5 tog while you work) until you reach your first sc edge stitch. Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

LARGE PLATE (Make 4)

In tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring, but do not close hole too tightly.

Rnd 1: Sc 6.

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 3: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (10 sts)

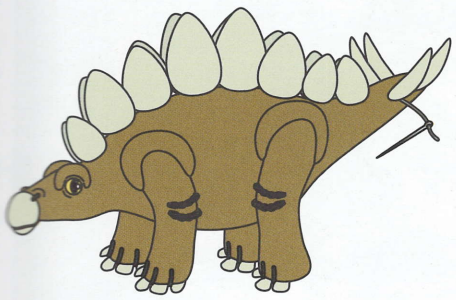
Rnd 4: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 5: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 6: Sc 16.

Rnd 7: Sc2tog 8 times. (8 sts)

Flatten plate. Sc up side edge of the plate until you reach the 6-st adjustable ring at the top. (Sc 1, ch 2, sc 1) into the 6-st adjustable ring at the top of the plate to make a spike, then continue to sc down and around the edge of the plate (holding the open edges of rnd 7 tog while you work) until you reach your first sc edge stitch. Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.



SPIKE (Make 4)

In tan, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

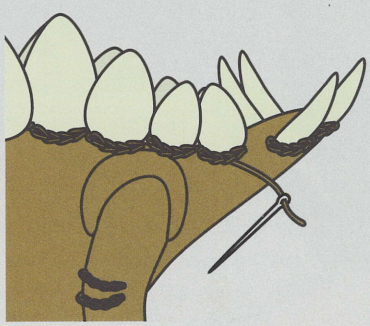
Rnd 1: In bl, sc 4. (4 sts)

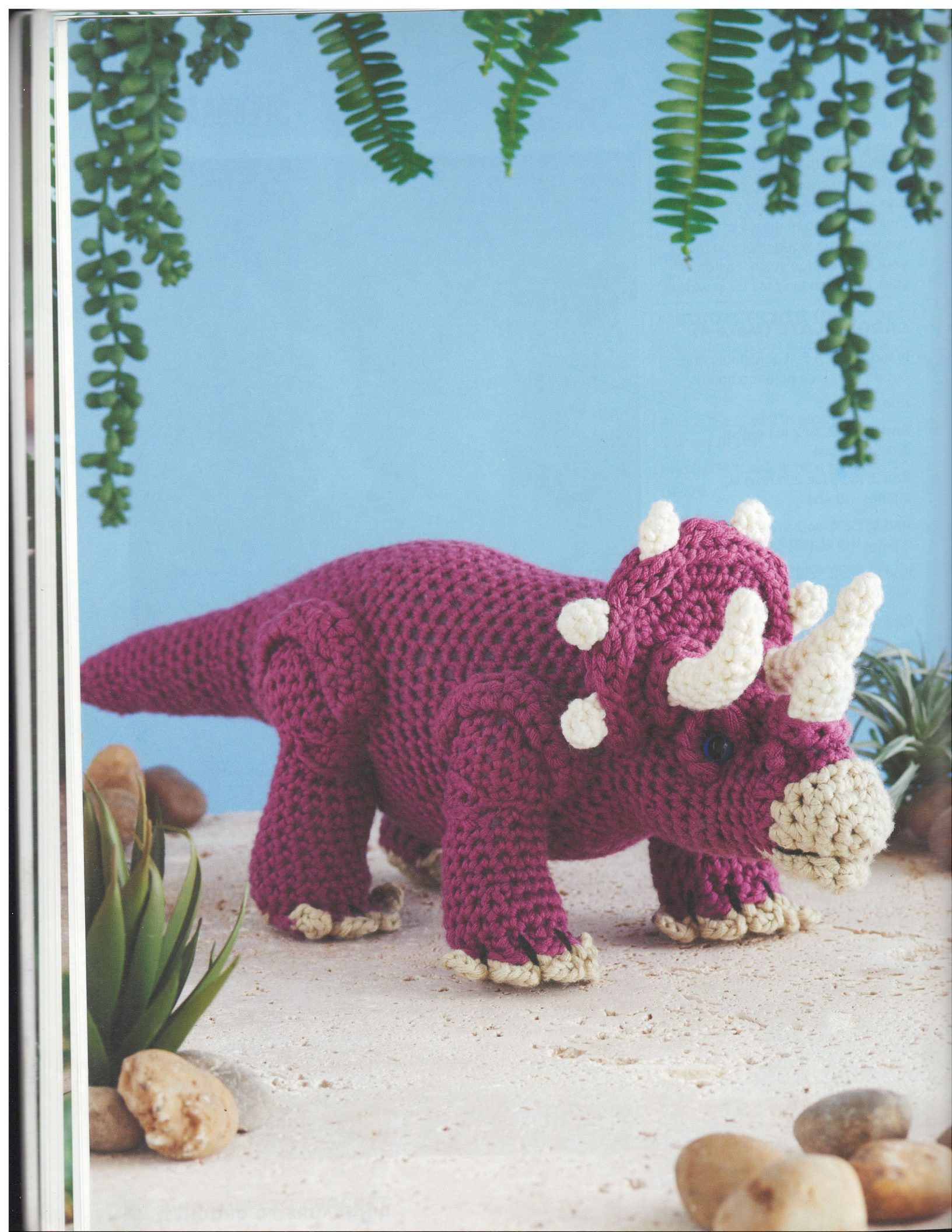
Rnds 2–4: Sc 4.

Rnd 5: In fl, sc2tog, sk 1, sl st in next st to fasten off. (3 sts)

Starting from the head and working towards the tail, line the plates up along the back in pairs: 1 small pair, 2 medium pairs, 2 large pairs, 1 medium pair, 2 small pairs, and 2 pairs of spikes along the sides of the tail. Pin the plates and spikes in place. With tan, sew the bases of the plates and spikes to the back of the body and tail.

EXTRA FANCY OPTION: To clean up the connection points where the plates meet the body and to help the plates sit up, ch 8/10/12/8 in green and wrap the chs around the bases of the small plates//medium plates/large plates/spikes respectively. Pin the chains in place and then secure with a few running stitches.





TRICERATOPS

FINISHED SIZE: 16½" long x 5" wide x 6" tall (42 x 13 x 15cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

This "three-horned face" dinosaur from the Cretaceous period sports a large, bony frill and three impressive horns on its head and face. Fortunately for us, the crochet version is soft and cuddly, albeit a bit fussy with so many pointy facial details to sew on! It was a contemporary to Tyrannosaurus, so it's certain those long horns came in handy.

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in purple (225 yds/206m), tan (150 yds/138m), white (10 yds/10m), and black (10 yds/10m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD, BODY & TAIL

With purple, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 3–4: Sc 18.

Rnd 5: Sc 2, hdc 2 in next 3 sts, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1) in fl of next st, (hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in fl of next st for nostril, sc 4, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1) in fl of next st, (hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in fl of next st for other nostril, hdc 2 in next 3 sts, sc 2. (24 sts)

Rnd 6: Sc 2, sc2tog 3 times, fold the (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1) and (hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) forward and sc 1 in bl of the next 2 sts at the base of

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the nostril, sc 4, fold the (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1) and (hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) forward and sc 1 in bl of the next 2 sts at the base of the nostril detail, sc2tog 3 times, sc 2. (18 sts)

Rnd 7: Sc 18.

Rnd 8: (Sc 8, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 9: Sc 20.

Rnd 10: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 10 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 11–13: Sc 30.

If using safety eyes, install plastic eyes between rnds 10–11 with 7 to 8 sts of space between them.

Rnd 14: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 15: Sc 24.

Rnd 16: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 17: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 10 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 18–19: Sc 30.

Rnd 20: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 21–22: Sc 36.

Stuff head and body. Continue to stuff body as you work.

Rnd 23: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 24–28: Sc 42.

Rnd 29: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (48 sts)

Rnds 30–34: Sc 48.

Rnd 35: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 36–39: Sc 42.

Rnd 40: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnd 41: Sc 36.

Rnd 42: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnd 43: Sc 30.

Rnd 44: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 45: Sc 24.

Rnd 46: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnds 47–49: Sc 21.

Rnd 50: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 3 times. (18 sts).

Rnds 51–54: Sc 18.

Rnd 55: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 56–58: Sc 15.

Rnd 59: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 3 times. (12 sts)

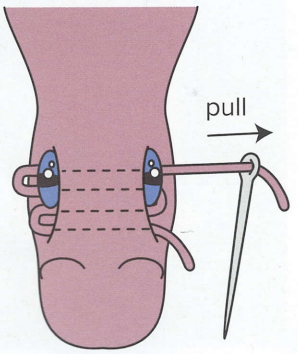
Rnds 60–61: Sc 12.

Rnd 62: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 63: Sc 9.

Rnd 64: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 3 times. (6 sts)

Cut yarn and fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Finish stuffing tail, close hole and weave in end.



If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between rnds 10–11 with about 7 to 8 sts of space between them.

With purple yarn, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.

BEAK

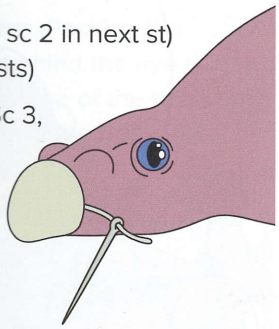
With tan, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 4–5: Sc 3, hdc 3, sc 6, hdc 3, sc 3. (18 sts)



Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Place beak over the front of the face so covers the first 4 rnds of the head in front of nostrils. Sew edge down with mattress stitch. Weave in ends.

JAW

With tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

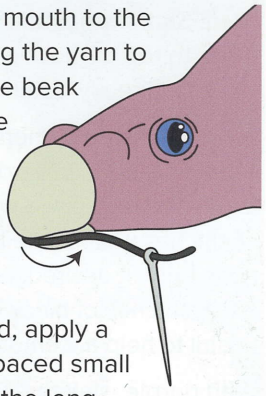
Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnds 2–4: Sc 9.

Stuff jaw and sew back edge shut.

Offset the back edge of jaw by one row with the back edge of the beak. With tan, mattress stitch back edge of the jaw in place. Draw yarn through the jaw and beak to help hold the jaw closed. Weave in ends.

With black and a tapestry needle, draw a long stitch out from one corner of the mouth to the other, allowing the yarn to rest where the beak and jaw come together. The black will help accentuate the mouth line. If needed, apply a few evenly spaced small stitches over the long stitch to hold it in place. Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

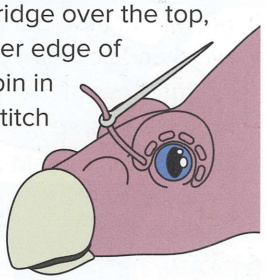


EYE RIDGE (Make 2)

With purple, ch 10.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 9 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top, back and lower edge of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head.



NOSE HORN

Starting with white, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 2–3: Sc 6.

Rnd 4: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Cut white. Change to purple.

Rnd 5: Sc 2 in each st around. (16 sts)

Rnd 6: Sc2tog 8 times. (8 sts)

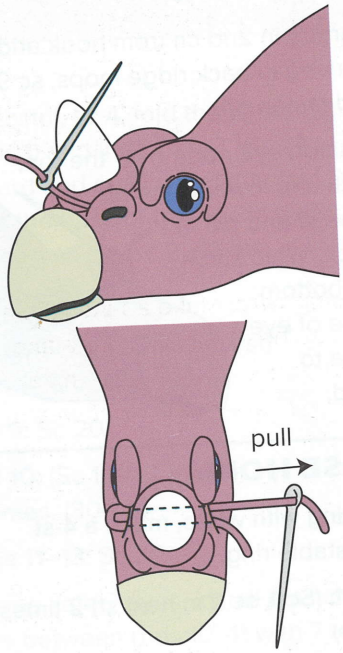
Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Roll rnd 6 up and over rnd 5 to create a lip around the base of the

horn. Stuff horn and attach open edge to top of muzzle between the nostrils, directly behind the beak.

Twist the inside corners of the nostril 1 to 2 rnds back toward the eyes and tack corners in place with a couple of stitches against the base of the nose horn. If desired, embroider a few stitches of black inside the nostril to help accentuate it.

With purple, sink the sides of the nose bridge by sewing a running stitch back and forth through the head in a straight line from the eye to the nostril, pulling as you sew to shape and thin the nose bridge.



BONY FRILL (Make 2)

With purple, make a 6-st adjustable ring, do not join. Turn. You'll be working rows in a semi-circle shape.

Row 1: Sc 2 in each st across. Turn. (12 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, (sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 2 in next st, sc 1) 3 times. Turn. (18 sts)

Row 3: Ch 1, (sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 2 in next st, sc 2) 3 times. Turn. (24 sts)

Row 4: Ch 1, (sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 2 in next st, sc 3) 3 times. Turn. (30 sts)

Row 5: Ch 1, (sc 2, sc 2 in next st, sc 2) 6 times. Turn. (36 sts)

Row 6: Ch 1, (FPhdc 1, FPsc 1, FPslst 2, FPsc 1, FPhdc 1) 6 times. (36 sts). Cut and fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

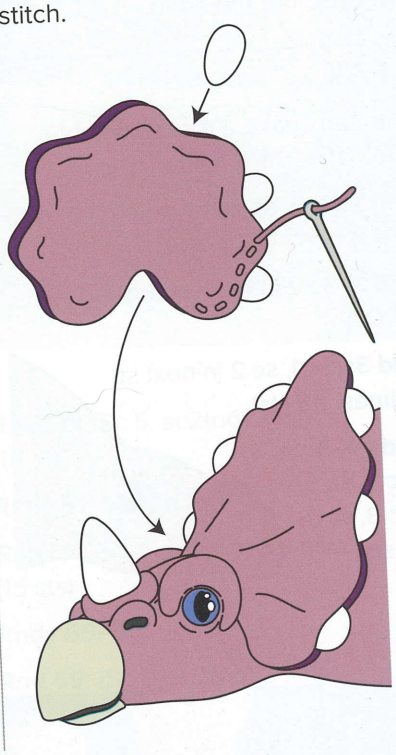
CORONOID (Make 6)

With white, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnds 1–2: Sc 4.
Cut and fasten off yarn.

Place the WS of the Bony Frill pieces tog with the raised edge detail from row 6 facing out. Line up the 6 Coronoids with the 6 low points along the wavy edge (where the FPslst sts are located), sandwiching the coronoids between the 2 Bony Frill pieces. Pin in place. Sew the outside edges of the bony frills tog with a backstitch, catching the coronoids as you work to secure them in place. Sew bottom edge of Bony Frill tog.

Pin the bottom edge of the Bony Frill to the top of the head 3 to 4 rnds behind the eyes and eye ridge. Sew in place with a mattress stitch.



BROW HORN (Make 2)

Starting with white, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnds 1–2: Sc 4.

Rnd 3: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 4–9: Sc 6.

Rnd 10: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

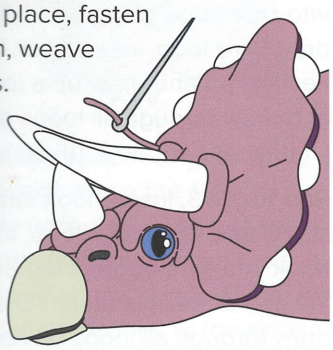
Cut white. Change to purple.

Rnd 11: Sc 2 in each st around. (16 sts)

Rnd 12: Sc2tog 8 times. (8 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Stuff the horns. Position the brow horns behind the eye ridges and pin to the top of the head and the front side of the bony frill. Sew in place, fasten off yarn, weave in ends.



FRONT LEG (Make 2)

Starting with tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Cut tan. Change to purple.

Rnd 3: Sc 18.

Rnd 4: Fpsc 18.

Rnds 5–6: Sc 18.

Rnd 7: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 8–11: Sc 15.

Rnd 12: Sc 5, pm, sc 6, (ch 5. With RS facing you, bring ch 5 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 6 sts) 2 times to create leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 3. (15 sts)

Rnd 13: Sc 3. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 10. (15 sts)

Rnd 14: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 15: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 16: Sc 21.

Rnd 17: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 7 times. (14 sts)

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

If not using wire, stuff leg.

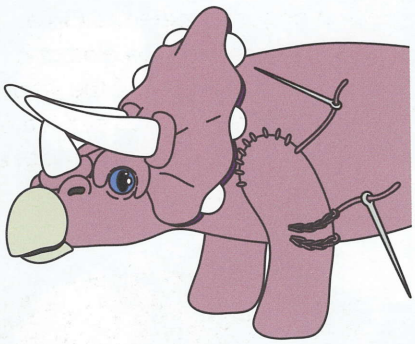
Rnd 18: Sc2tog 7 times. (7 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in the top of leg.

With the leg bend facing backwards, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the

body if applicable) and pin in place. Mattress the sides edges of the upper half of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



FRONT TOES

On rnd 3 of front leg, find the center of the front of the foot and mark with a safety pin or pm.

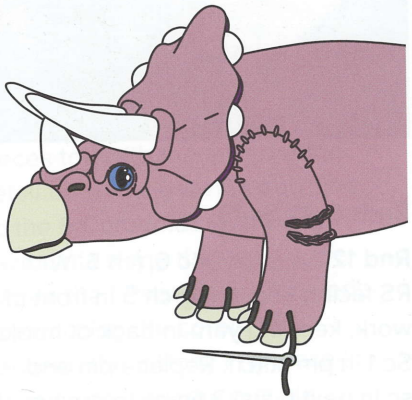
Row 1: Starting with purple and with the dinosaur facing you, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in 4th st to the right of center pm (counts as first sc). Sc 8 more sts across front of foot, working from right to left, ch 1. Turn. (9 sts)

Cut purple. Change to tan.

Row 2: Working in bl, [(sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st, sl st 1] 4 times, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st. (5 toes)

Fasten off yarn tails and weave in ends.

With black and a tapestry needle embroider 4 long stitches in the spaces between the toenails (working between rnds 4 and 2 of the leg) to better define the toes, pulling gently as you sew to cinch the shaping.



BACK LEG (Make 2)

Starting with tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Cut tan. Change to purple.

Rnd 3: Sc 18.

Rnd 4: Fpsc 18.

Rnds 5–6: Sc 18.

Rnd 7: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 8–13: Sc 15.

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Rnd 15: Sc 3. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 10. (15 sts)

Rnd 16: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 17: Sc 18.

Rnd 18: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 19: Sc 21.

Rnd 20: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 7 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 21: Sc 14.

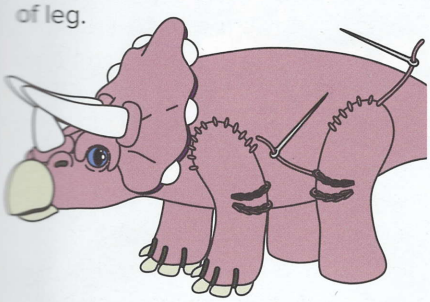
If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the

ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

If not using wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 22: Sc2tog 7 times. (7 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in the top of leg.



With the leg bend facing forward, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. Mattress stitch the edges of the upper half of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.

BACK TOES

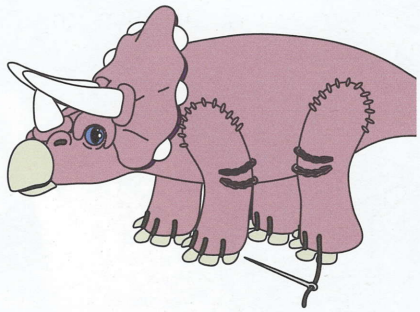
On rnd 3 of back leg, find the center of the front of the foot and mark with a safety pin or pm.

Row 1: Starting with purple and with the dinosaur facing you, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in 3rd st to the right of center pm (counts as first sc). Sc 6 more sts across front of foot, ch 1. Turn. (7 sts)

Cut purple. Change to tan.

Row 2: Working in bl, [(sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st, sl st 1] 3 times, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st. (4 toes)

Fasten off yarn tails and weave in ends. With black and a tapestry needle embroider 3 long stitches in the spaces between the toenails (working between rnds 4 and 2 of the leg) to better define the toes, pulling gently as you sew to cinch the shaping.



SHOULDER FLAP (Make 2)

With purple, ch 13.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 3, hdc 6, sc 3. Turn. (12 sts)

Rows 2–4: Ch 1, sc 3, hdc 6, sc 3. Turn. (12 sts)

Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

HIP FLAP (Make 2)

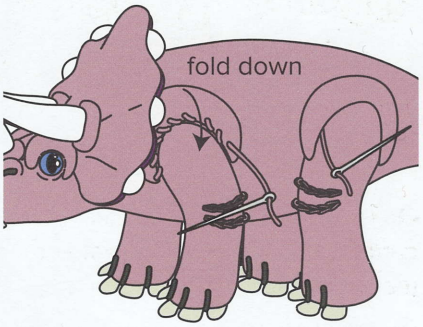
With purple, ch 17.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, hdc 8, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

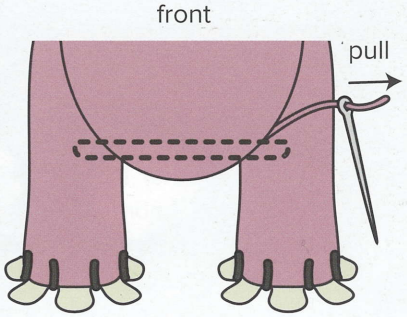
Rows 2–4: Ch 1, sc 4, hdc 8, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Wrap the sl st edge of hip/shoulder flap over the top of the hip/shoulder, flattening the flap against the body. Working along the underside of the flap, whip stitch the sl st edge to where the top of the limb meets the body. Fold the flap down over the top of the limb and tack down the inside surface of the flap to the top of the limb with a few small stitches.



To keep the legs from splaying out, attach yarn to the inside surface of one front leg, pass yarn through the body to the inside surface of the opposite front leg, and then back again through the body to the starting point. Pull to draw the legs close to the body, tie off the yarn, and weave in the end. Repeat on back legs.



TYRANNOSAURUS

FINISHED SIZE: 16½" long x 5" wide x 11" tall (42 x 13 x 28cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

The "king tyrant lizard" of the dinosaurs has never been so cuddly! If only its arms were long enough for a hug. This massive carnivore roamed the earth during the Cretaceous period, sharing the landscape with Triceratops and Velociraptor. The largest T. rex skull found measured about 5 feet in length, leaving plenty of room for its 12-inch (30cm)-long teeth (described by one paleontologist as "lethal bananas")!

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in dark red (225 yds/206m), tan (150 yds/138m), ivory (10 yds/10m) and black (10 yds/10m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD

With dark red, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 3 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 3 in next st, sc 1) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 3: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 4–5: Sc 30.

Rnd 6: Sc 11, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1) in fl of next st, (hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in fl of next st for nostril, sc 5, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1) in fl of next st, (hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in fl of next st for other nostril, sc 10. (30 sts)

Rnd 7: Sc 11, fold the (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1) and (hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) forward and sc 1 in bl of the next 2

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sts at the base of the nostril, sc 5, fold the (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1) and (hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) forward and sc 1 in bl of the next 2 sts at the base of the nostril, sc 10. (30 sts)

Rnd 8: Sc 30.

Rnd 9: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 10–12: Sc 24.

Rnd 13: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnd 14: Sc 30.

Rnd 15: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnd 16: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 17–18: Sc 42.

If using safety eyes, install eyes between rnds 15–16 of the head with about 10 sts of space between them.

Rnd 19: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnd 20: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnd 21: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 22: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 23: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 6 times. (12 sts)

Stuff head 25%-30% full. Leave hole open in back of head.

JAW

With tan, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 3 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 3 in next st, sc 1) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 3–4: Sc 24.

Rnd 5: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 6–10: Sc 18.

Rnd 11: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 6 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 12–13: Sc 12.

Rnd 14: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 15: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (24 sts)

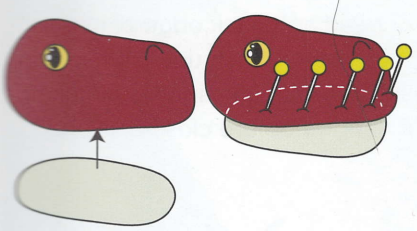
Rnd 16: Sc2tog 12 times. (12 sts)

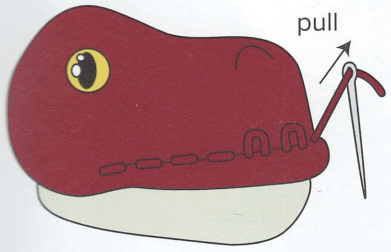
Stuff jaw firmly.

Rnd 17: Sc2tog 6 times. (6 sts)

Fasten off yarn, close hole in back of jaw and weave in end.

Press and sink the top half of the jaw into the bottom surface of head allowing the head to wrap over the sides of the jaw. Pin the folded over edge to the jaw as illustrated. With dark red and working ⅛ to ¼ inch (3 to 7mm) above the folded over edge of the head, apply a running stitch through the folded edge, catching the surface of the jaw as you work to shape and secure the upper lip.



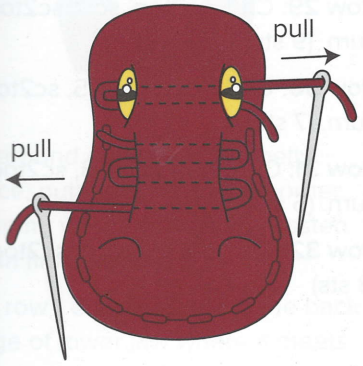


Add more stuffing to fill out the head where needed. Close hole in back of head and weave in end.

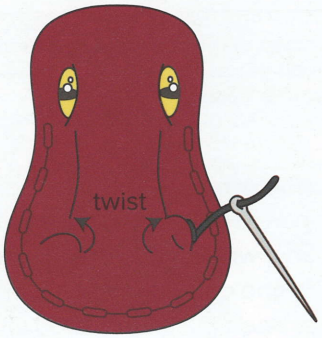
If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between rnds 15–16 with about 10 sts of space between them.

With dark red, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.

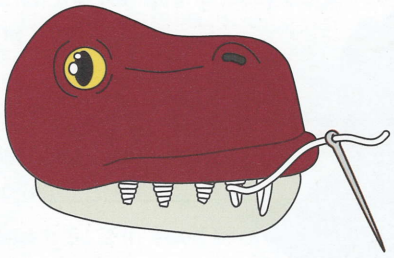
Sink the sides of the nose bridge in the same manner by sewing a running stitch back and forth through the head in a straight line from the eye to the nostril, pulling as you sew to shape and thin the nose bridge.



Twist the inside corners of the nostril details 1 to 2 rnds back toward the eyes to shape them and tack corners in place with a couple of stitches. If desired, embroider a few stitches of black inside the nostril to help accentuate it.



With ivory, embroider teeth by first applying 2 long vertical stitches and then wrapping the yarn around the 2 vertical stitches from top to bottom, putting more wraps at the base of the tooth to build up the tooth shape.

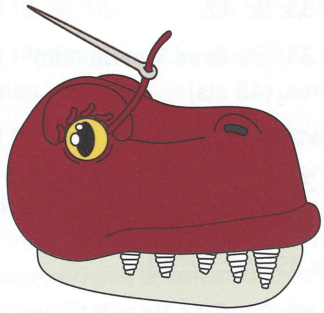


EYE RIDGE (Make 2)

With dark red, ch 10.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 9 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top, back and lower edge of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head.



BODY & TAIL

With dark red, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 4.

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 3–4: Sc 6.

Rnd 5: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnds 6–8: Sc 9.

Rnd 9: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 10–13: Sc 12.

Rnd 14: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 15–19: Sc 16.

Rnd 20: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 21–22: Sc 20.

Rnd 23: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 24–25: Sc 24.

Stuff tail. Continue to stuff body if not adding wire.

Rnd 26: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 27–28: Sc 30.

Rnd 29: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 30–31: Sc 36.

Rnd 32: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (42 sts)

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Rnd 33: Sc 42.

Rnd 34: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (48 sts)

Rnds 35–37: Sc 48.

Rnd 38: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 39–42: Sc 42.

Rnd 43: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 44–48: Sc 36.

Rnd 49: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 50–53: Sc 30.

Rnd 54: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 55: Sc 24.

Rnd 56: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 57–60: Sc 20.

Rnd 61: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

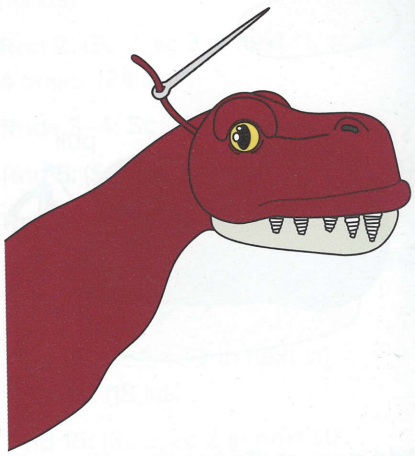
Rnd 62: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (28 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

TIP: The T-Rex head is quite heavy, so you may want to add a bit of weight to the tail or body with a bean bag or two.

If using wire: To add some more support to the body and neck, take a paper wrapped floral wire and bend one end to form a 2-inch (5cm) loop. Insert the loop side down the neck and into the body and tail. Trim so that 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) of wire sticks out from the top of the neck. Stuff the neck and body so the wire is enclosed in the stuffing. Work the neck wire into the back of the head.

Pin the open edge of neck to back of head and back edge of jaw and then sew in place using a mattress stitch. Add some additional stuffing if needed before closing seam.



BELLY

In tan, ch 6.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 5. Turn. (5 sts)

Rows 2–6: Ch 1, sc 5. Turn. (5 sts)

Row 7: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 3, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (7 sts)

Rows 8–13: Ch 1, sc 7. Turn. (7 sts)

Row 14: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 5, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (9 sts)

Rows 15–20: Ch 1, sc 9. Turn. (9 sts)

Row 21: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 7, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (11 sts)

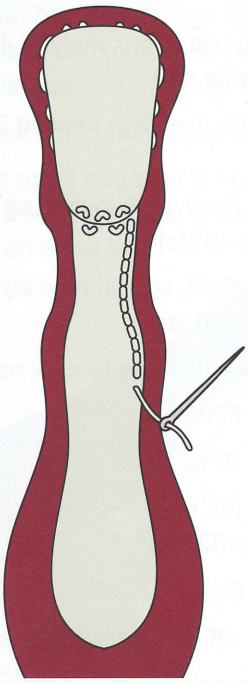
Rows 22–28: Ch 1, sc 11. Turn. (11 sts)

Row 29: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 7, sc2tog. Turn. (9 sts)

Row 30: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 5, sc2tog. Turn. (7 sts)

Row 31: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 3, sc2tog. Turn. (5 sts)

Row 32: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 1, sc2tog. (3 sts)



Sc around entire edge of belly piece, putting 2 scs in the corner shaping where necessary. Fasten off in first st of row 32.

Pin row 1 edge of belly to the back edge of lower jaw where it meets the neck. Pin down the remaining edge to the neck and body.

Mattress stitch the row 1 belly edge to the back of the jaw, then back stitch the remaining belly edge to the body.

LEG (Make 2)

With dark red, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 3–5: Sc 18.

Rnd 6: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnd 7: Sc 15.

Rnd 8: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 9–10: Sc 12.

Rnds 11–12: Sc2tog 2 times, hdc 2 in next 4 sts, sc2tog 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 13: Sc 12.

Rnd 14: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 15: Sc 6, pm, sc 6, (ch 5. With RS facing you, bring ch 5 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 6 sts) 2 times to create leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 3. (16 sts)

Rnd 16: Sc 2 in next 2 sts, sc 2. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 10. (18 sts)

Rnds 17–18: Sc 18.

Rnd 19: (Sc 8, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 20: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 21: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (28 sts)

Rnd 22: Sc 28.

Rnd 23: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 24: Sc 24.

Rnd 25: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 8 times. (16 sts)

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down

into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

If not adding wire, stuff leg.

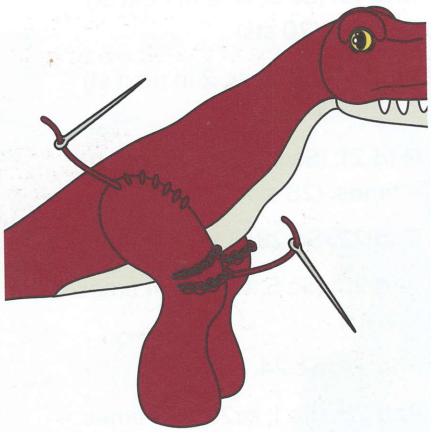
Rnd 26: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 27: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 4 times. (8 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in top of leg.

With the leg bends facing forward, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper parts of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



HIP FLAP (Make 2)

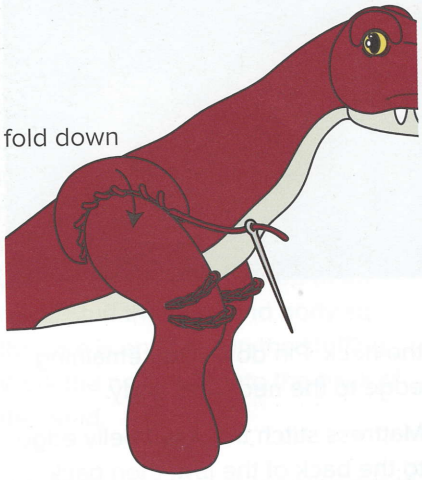
With dark red, ch 17.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, hdc 8, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

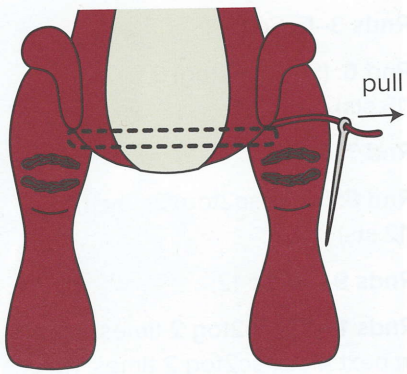
Rows 2–4: Ch 1, sc 4, hdc 8, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Wrap the sl st edge of hip flap over the top of the hip, flattening the flap against the body. Working along the underside of the flap, whip stitch the sl st edge to where the top of the leg meets the body. Fold the flap down over the top of the leg and tack down the inside surface of the flap to the top of the leg with a few small stitches.



To keep the legs from splaying out, attach yarn to the inside surface of one back leg, pass yarn through the body to the inside surface of the opposite back leg, and then back again through the body to the starting point. Pull to draw the legs close to the body, tie off the yarn, and weave in the end.



BACK TOE (Make 2)

Starting with ivory, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 6.

Rnd 3: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Cut ivory. Change to dark red.

Rnd 4: FPsc 8.

Fasten off yarn and stuff toe.

Sew open edge of back toe to rnds 6–7 at the back of the leg. Repeat on other leg.

FRONT TOE (Make 6)

TIP: Keep the FP and BP sts loose to make them easier to work in.

Starting with ivory, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 3: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (10 sts)

Cut ivory. Change to dark red.

Rnd 4: FPhdc 10.

Rnd 5: BPsc 10.

Rnd 6: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 7: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 4 times. (8 sts)

Fasten off yarn and stuff toe.

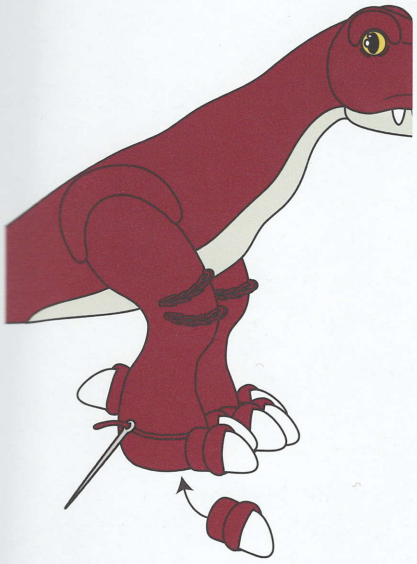
TOE CLAW RIDGE

Locate the beginning of rnd 5 of the Front Toe. There will be a rnd of surface loops from working in the back posts. In dark red, with the claw pointed down and working in the surface loops, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1)

in first set of surface loops (counts as 1 sc) and continue to sc 1 in each set of surface loops around. (10 sts)

Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

Sew the open edges of 3 front toes to rnds 3–4 at the front of the leg. Repeat on other leg.



ARM (Make 2)

In dark red, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 2–5: Sc 8.

Rnd 6: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 7: Sc 6.

Rnds 8–9: Sc2tog, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc2tog. (6 sts)

Rnd 10: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 11: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 12: Sc 6.

Use back of crochet hook to stuff upper and lower arm.

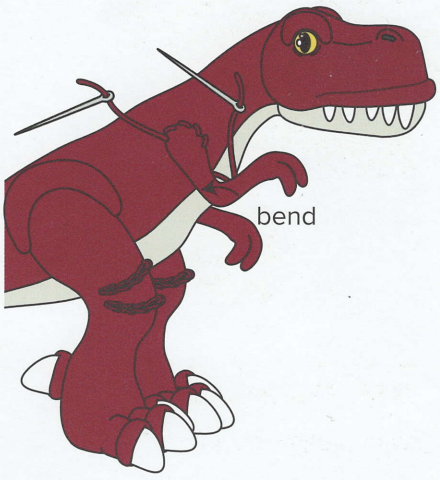
Continue to work in rows.

Row 13: Flatten open seam. (Sc through front and back edge at the same time) 3 times. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 14: Ch 1, sl st in next st, ch 4, starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 3, sl st in base st of ch-4, sl st in next 2 sts, ch 4, starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 3, sl st in base st of ch-4 and fasten off, leaving a long tail.

With leftover yarn tail, sew the long side edges of one finger tog so the finger folds in half length-wise. Repeat on other finger and weave in yarn tail.

Position arms along the sides of the upper body with the elbow shaping pointed down and pin in place. Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper portion of the arms to the sides of the body. Bend arms at the elbow to pose, then sew the inside surface of the arm tog at the elbow to hold shaping in place.



BRACHIOSAURUS

FINISHED SIZE: 24" long x 6" wide x 15" tall (61 x 15 x 38cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

The name Brachiosaurus comes from the Greek words "arm" and "lizard," referring to the fact that this dinosaur's front legs were longer than its back ones. A contemporary of Stegosaurus in the late Jurassic period, this towering sauropod could reach up to 65 feet long, weigh over 60 tons, and could reach the high branches of 30-foot-tall trees.

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in grey (450 yds/412m), tan (75 yds/69m) and black (10 yds/10m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD

With grey, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 12.

Rnd 3: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 4–6: Sc 16.

Rnd 7: Sc 4, sc 2 in next 8 sts, sc 4. (24 sts)

Rnd 8: Sc 8, hdc 3, dc 1, pm, dc 1, hdc 3, sc 8. (24 sts)

Rnd 9: Sc 24.

Rnd 10: Sc 10, sc 2 in next 4 sts, sc 10. (28 sts)

Rnd 11: Sc 28.

Rnd 12: Sc 10, sc2tog 4 times, sc 10. (24 sts)

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Rnd 13: Sc 24.

Rnd 14: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

If using safety eyes, install eyes between rnds 11–12 of the head with about 10 sts of space between them, taking care to keep the pm from rnd 8 between the eyes.

Rnd 15: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 5 times. (15 sts)

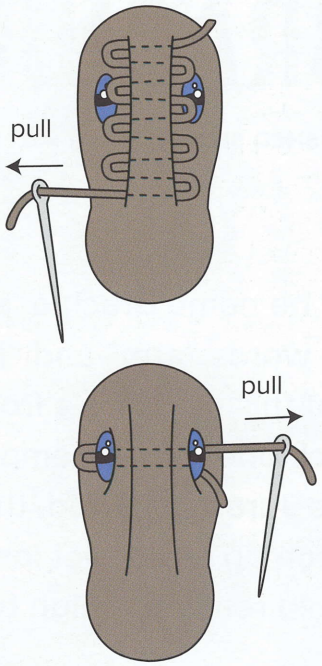
Rnd 16: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 5 times. (10 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff head firmly. Pm will mark the center ridge line of the crest.

If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between rnds 11–12 with about 10 sts of space between them, taking care to keep the pm from rnd 8 between the eyes.

Working from the rnd 8 pm to the back of the head, pinch the surface of the head tog with your fingers to form a ridge running from the pm in the center of rnd 8 to the last rnd of the head. To hold shaping in place, use grey yarn and apply a running stitch back and forth through the head along the base of the crest. Pull the yarn firmly as you sew to shape the crest.

With grey yarn, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.



JAW

With tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnds 2–6: Sc 9.

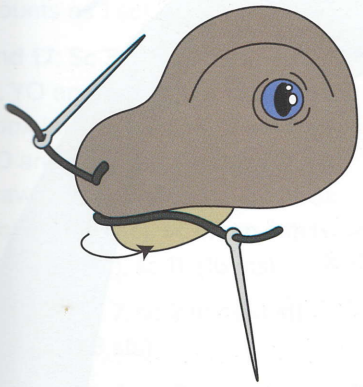
Stuff jaw, flatten back seam and sew shut.

Place front edge of jaw 1 rnd behind the front of nose. With tan yarn, mattress stitch back edge of jaw to the bottom of the head.

Whip stitch the bottom of the head and inside surface of jaw tog.

With black and a tapestry needle, draw a long stitch out from one corner of the mouth to the other, allowing the yarn to rest where the bottom of the head and top of the jaw come together. The black will help accentuate the mouth line. If needed, apply a few evenly spaced small stitches over the long stitch to hold it in place. Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

With black, embroider two short perpendicular stitches to the front of the head over rnds 2-3 with 4 stitches of space between them.

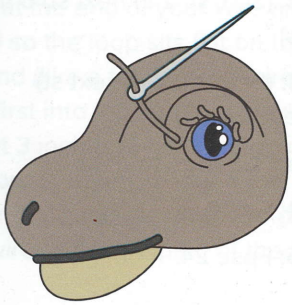


EYE RIDGE (Make 2)

With grey, ch 7.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 6 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head.



BODY & TAIL

With grey, make a 6-st adjustable ring. Do not join. Turn. You will be working rows in a semi-circle shape.

Row 1: Ch 1, sc 2 in each st across. Turn. (12 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, (sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 2 in next st, sc 1) 3 times. Turn. (18 sts)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc 18. Turn. (18 sts)

Row 4: Ch 1, (sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 2 in next st, sc 2) 3 times. Turn. (24 sts)

Rows 5–6: Ch 1, sc 24. Turn. (24 sts)

Row 7: Ch 1, (sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 3 in next st, sc 2) 3 times. Turn. (30 sts)

Rows 8–9: Ch 1, sc 30. Turn. (30 sts)

Row 10: Ch 1, sc 2 in next 3 sts, sc across until 3 sts remain, sc 2 in next 3 sts. Turn. (36 sts)

Row 11: Ch 1, sc 36. Turn. (36 sts)

Row 12: Ch 1, sc 2 in next 3 sts, sc across until 3 sts remain, sc 2 in next 3 sts. Turn. (42 sts)

Row 13: Ch 1, sc 42. Turn. (42 sts)

Row 14: Ch 1, sc 2 in next 3 sts, sc across until 3 sts remain, sc 2 in next 3 sts. (48 sts)

Hold the ends of row 14 tog to create the neck opening. Work your next stitch across the gap to begin rnd 15 and continue working the rest of the pattern in the round.

Rnd 15: (Sc 7, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (54 sts)

Rnd 16: Sc 54.

Rnd 17: (Sc 7, sc2tog) 6 times. (48 sts)

Rnd 18: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 19–28: Sc 42.

Rnd 29: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 30–35: Sc 36.

Rnd 36: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 37–40: Sc 30.

Rnd 41: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 42–48: Sc 24.

Rnd 49: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 50–51: Sc 20.

If adding wire, put a safety pin in the last stitch of rnd 51 to keep the back of the tail open to make stuffing and installing a wire easier. Skip ahead and work the Neck section.

Rnd 52: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 53–56: Sc 16.

Rnd 57: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 58–61: Sc 12.

Rnd 62: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 4 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 63–65: Sc 8.

Rnd 66: Sc2tog 4 times. (4 sts)

Fasten off yarn and close hole at tip of tail.

If not adding wire, stuff body and tail firmly.

NECK

Rnd 1: Starting at the back of the neck opening and working the left side first, (sl st, ch 1, sc 1) to rejoin the grey yarn (counts as first sc st) and then sc 29 sts evenly around the entire edge of the neck opening. (30 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 30.

Rnd 3: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 4–10: Sc 24.

Rnd 11: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 12–20: Sc 20.

Rnd 21: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 4 times. (16 sts)

If not using wire, stuff neck. Continue to stuff as you work.

Rnds 22–30: Sc 16.

Rnd 31: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnds 32–38: Sc 14.

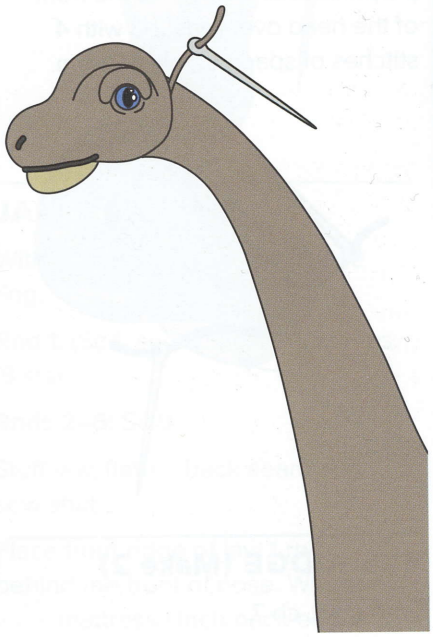
Rnd 39: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 40: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

If using wire: To add some more support to the neck, take a paper wrapped floral wire and bend one end to form a 2-inch (5cm) loop. Insert the loop side down the neck and into the body so that 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) of wire sticks out from the top of the neck and 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) out of tail opening. Stuff the body and neck so the wire is enclosed in the stuffing. Work the neck wire into the back of the head.

Pin the open edge of neck to back of head and sew in place using a mattress stitch. Add some additional stuffing if needed before closing seam.

Return to rnd 52 of body and complete the tail, stuffing as you work.



BACK LEG (Make 2)

Starting with tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 3: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (24 sts)

Cut tan. Change to grey.

Rnd 4: Sc 24.

Rnd 5: Fpsc 24.

Rnds 6–7: Sc 24.

Rnd 8: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 9–11: Sc 20.

Rnd 12: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 13–15: Sc 16.

Rnd 16: Sc 5, pm, sc 7, (ch 6. With RS facing you, bring ch 6 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 7 sts) 2 times to create a leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 3. (16 sts)

Rnd 17: Sc 3. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 11. (16 sts)

Rnd 18: (Sc 7, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 19: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st, sc 4) 2 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 20: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 21: Sc 24.

Rnd 22: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 23: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 6 times. (12 sts)

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

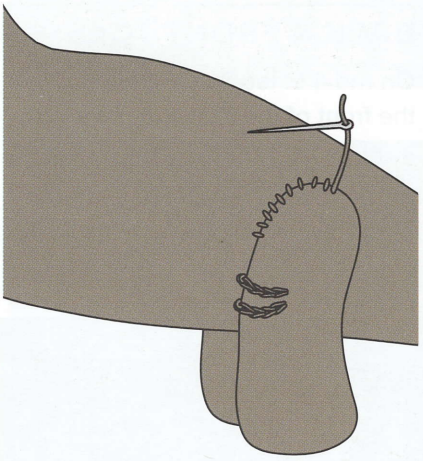
If not adding wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 24: Sc2tog 6 times. (6 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in the top of leg.

With the leg bend facing forward, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper parts of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



FRONT LEG (Make 2)

Starting with tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 3: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (24 sts)

Cut tan. Change to grey.

Rnd 4: Sc 24.

Rnd 5: Fpsc 24.

Rnds 6–9: Sc 24.

Rnd 10: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 11–15: Sc 20.

Rnd 16: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 17–20: Sc 16.

Rnd 21: Sc 5, pm, sc 7, (ch 6. With RS facing you, bring ch 6 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 7 sts) 2 times to create leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 3. (16 sts)

Rnd 22: Sc 3. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 11. (16 sts)

Rnd 23: (Sc 7, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 24: Sc 18.

Rnd 25: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st, sc 4) 2 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 26: Sc 20.

Rnd 27: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 28: Sc 24.

Rnd 29: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 30: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 6 times. (12 sts)

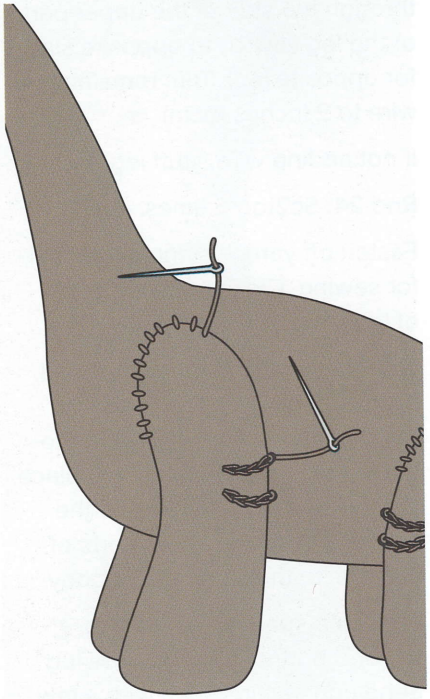
If using wire: Make a 1-inch (2.5 cm(loop at the end of your wire and

bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8 cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5 cm). If not adding wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 31: Sc2tog 6 times. (6 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in the top of leg. With the leg bend facing backward, position legs along the sides of the body with the top of the leg will line up with the first rnd of the neck (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. The body should tilt up slightly toward the head. Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper parts of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



BACK & FRONT TOES

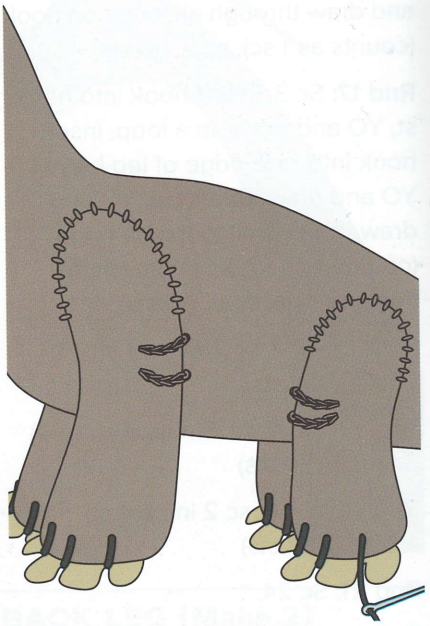
On rnd 4 of leg, find the center of the front of the foot and mark with a safety pin or pm.

Row 1: Starting with grey and with the dinosaur facing you, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in 4th st to the right of center pm (counts as first sc). Sc 8 more sts across front of foot, ch 1. Turn. (9 sts)

Cut grey. Change to tan.

Row 2: Working in bl, [(sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st, sl st 1] 4 times, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st. (5 toes)

Fasten off yarn tails and weave in ends. With black and a tapestry needle embroider 4 long stitches in the spaces between the toenails (working between rnds 5 and 3 of the leg) to better define the toes, pulling gently as you sew to cinch the shaping.



HIP FLAP (Make 2)

With grey, ch 17.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, hdc 8, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

Rows 2–4: Ch 1, sc 4, hdc 8, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

SHOULDER FLAP (Make 2)

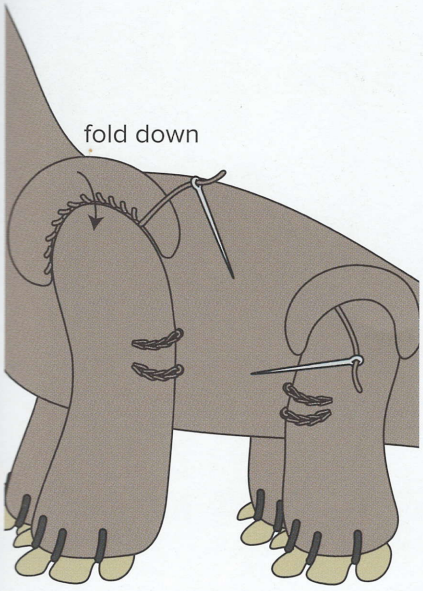
With grey, ch 19.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 5, hdc 8, sc 5. Turn. (18 sts)

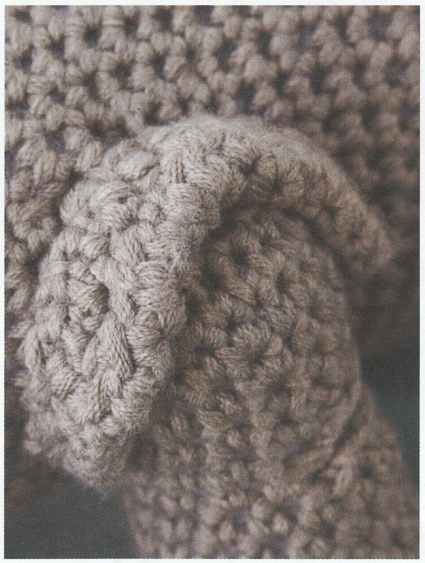
Rows 2–4: Ch 1, sc 4, hdc 10, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

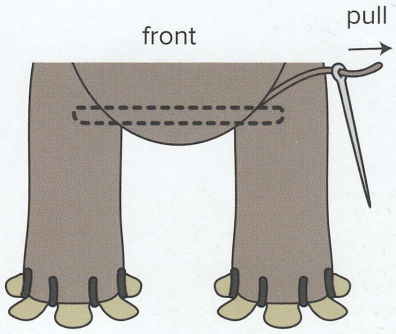
Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

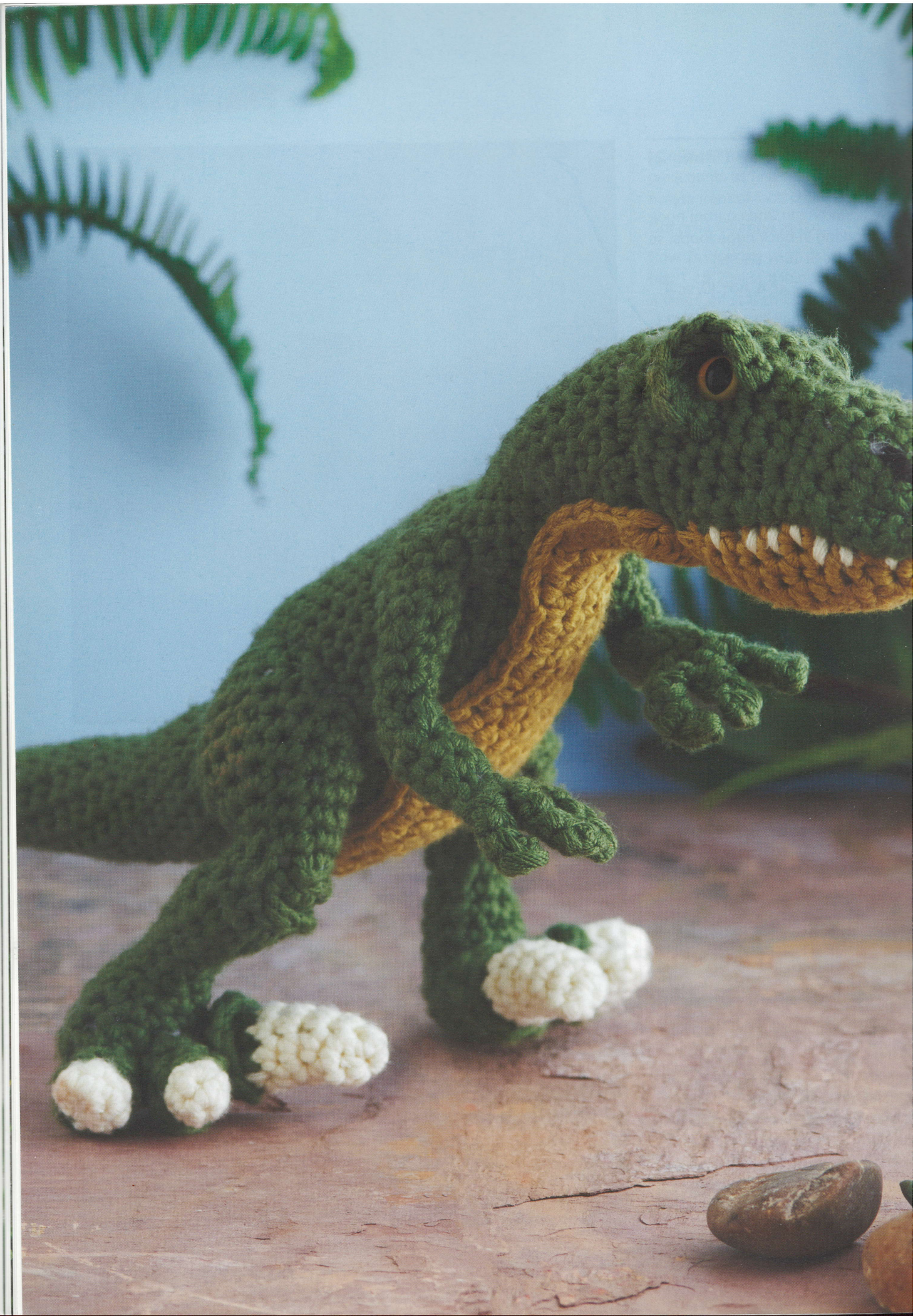
Wrap the sl st edge of hip/shoulder flap over the top of the hip/shoulder, flattening the flap against the body. Working along the underside of the flap, whip stitch the sl st edge to where the top of the limb meets the body. Fold the flap down over the top of the limb and tack down the inside surface of the flap to the top of the limb with a few small stitches.



To keep the legs from splaying out, attach yarn to the inside surface of one front leg, pass yarn through the body to the inside surface of the opposite front leg, and then back again through the body to the starting point. Pull to draw the legs close to the body, tie off the yarn, and weave in the end. Repeat on back legs.







VELOCIRAPTOR

FINISHED SIZE: 13" long x 4½" wide x 9" tall (33 x 11 x 23cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

The "swift seizer" dinosaur, the Velociraptor was about the size of a turkey; quite a bit smaller than their Hollywood representatives might have you believe (the "raptors" seen in films were based on the larger Deinonychus dinosaurs). Velociraptors lived during the latter part of the Cretaceous period and bore many similarities to modern day birds in that they had wishbones, were covered in feathers, tended to nests, and had front arms structured in a similar manner to bird wings.

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in green (225 yds/206m), gold (75 yds/69m), ivory (50 yds/46m) and black (10 yds/10m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD

With green, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 12.

Rnd 4: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 5–7: Sc 16.

Rnd 8: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 9–12: Sc 20.

Rnd 13: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 14: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (28 sts)

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If using safety eyes, install eyes between rnds 11–12 of the head with about 6 sts of space between them.

Rnd 15: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 7 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 16: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 7 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 17: Sc2tog 7 times. (7 sts)

Stuff head 75% full. Leave hole in back of head open.

JAW

With gold, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 9.

Rnd 4: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 5–9: Sc 12.

Rnd 10: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (15 sts)

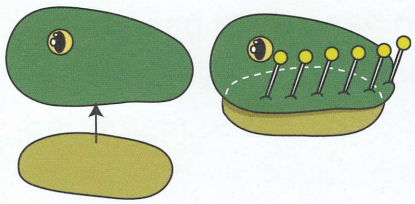
Rnd 11: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 5 times. (10 sts)

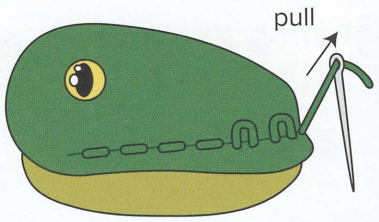
Stuff jaw firmly.

Rnd 12: Sc2tog 5 times. (5 sts)

Fasten off yarn, close hole in back of jaw and weave in end.

Press and sink the top half of the jaw into the bottom surface of head allowing the head to wrap over the sides of the jaw. Pin the folded over edge to the jaw as illustrated. With green and working ⅛ to ¼ inch (3 to 7mm) above the folded over edge of the head, apply a running stitch through the folded edge, catching the surface of the jaw as you work to shape and secure the upper lip.



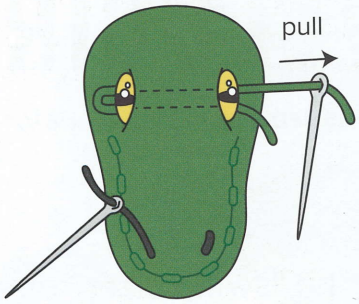


Add more stuffing to fill out the head where needed. Close hole in back of head and weave in end.

If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between rnds 11–12 with about 6 sts of space between them.

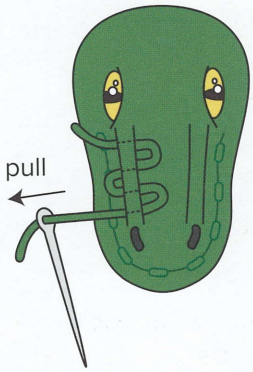
With green, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.

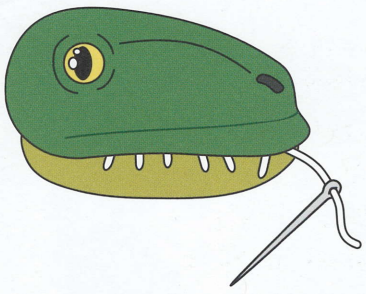
With black, apply 2 short stitches over rnds 3–4 at the front of the head 3 to 4 sts apart for nostrils.



With green, sew two sets of running stitches in small columns from the front of the eye to right before the nostrils through the surface of the head, pulling firmly as you go to shape two parallel ridges along the top of the nose bridge.

With ivory, embroider short and medium stitches onto the jaw, directly below the lip line, for teeth.



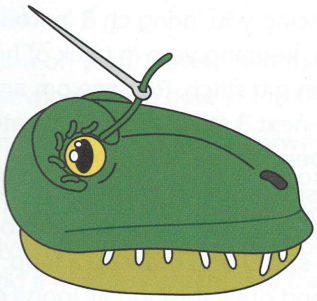


EYE RIDGE (Make 2)

With green, ch 9.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 8 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head.



BODY & TAIL

With green, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 2–3: Sc 6.

Rnd 4: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 5–6: Sc 8.

Rnd 7: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnds 8–9: Sc 10.

Rnd 10: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 11–12: Sc 12.

Rnd 13: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnds 14–15: Sc 14.

Rnd 16: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 17–19: Sc 16.

Rnd 20: (Sc 7, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (18 sts)

Stuff tail. Continue to stuff body if not adding wire.

Rnds 21–23: Sc 18.

Rnd 24: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 25: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 26–27: Sc 30.

Rnd 28: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 29–33: Sc 24.

Rnd 34: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 35–37: Sc 20.

Rnd 38: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 39: Sc 16.

Rnd 40: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 41–45: Sc 12.

Rnd 46: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 47: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st, sc 3) 2 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 48: (Sc 7, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (18 sts)

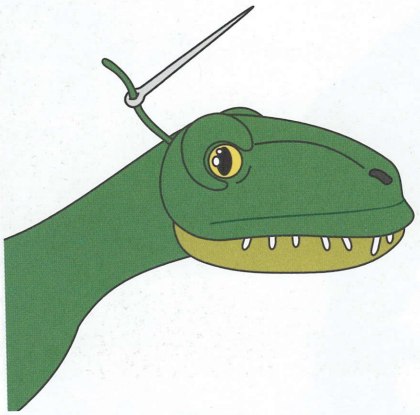
Rnd 49: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st, sc 4) 2 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 50: (Sc 9, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (22 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

If using wire: To add some more support to the body and neck, take a paper wrapped floral wire and bend one end to form a 2-inch (5cm) loop. Insert the loop side down the neck and into the body and tail. Trim so that 1 to 2 inches (3

to 5cm) of wire sticks out from the top of the neck. Stuff the neck and body so the wire is enclosed in the stuffing. Work the neck wire into the back of the head.



Pin the open edge of neck to back of head and back edge of jaw and then sew in place using a mattress stitch. Add some additional stuffing if needed before closing seam.

BELLY

With gold, loosely ch 5.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4. Turn. (4 sts)

Rows 2–4: Ch 1, sc 4. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 5: Ch 1, sc 1, sc2tog, sc 1. Turn. (3 sts)

Rows 6–12: Ch 1, sc 3. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 13: Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 1. Turn. (4 sts)

Rows 14–15: Ch 1, sc 4. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 16: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 2, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (6 sts)

Rows 17–26: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn. (6 sts)

Row 27: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 2, sc2tog. (4 sts)

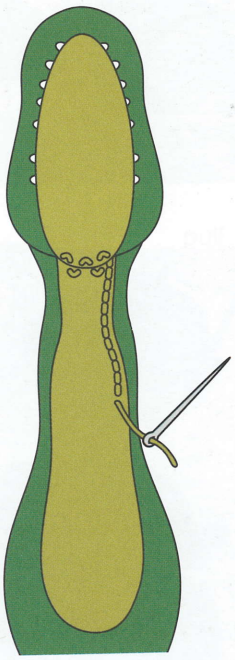
Rows 28–29: Ch 1, sc 4. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 30: Ch 1, sc2tog 2 times. (2 sts)

Sc around entire edge of belly piece, putting 2 scs in the corner shaping where necessary. Fasten off in first st of row 30.

Pin row 1 edge of belly to the back edge of lower jaw where it meets the neck. Pin down the remaining edge to the neck and body.

Mattress stitch the row 1 belly edge to the back of the jaw, then back stitch the remaining belly edge to the body.



LEG (Make 2)

With green, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnds 2–3: Sc 12.

Rnd 4: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnd 5: Sc 10.

Rnd 6: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 7: Sc 8.

Rnds 8–9: Sc2tog 2 times, sc 1, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc 1. (8 sts)

Rnd 10: Sc 8.

Rnd 11: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnd 12: Sc 1, pm, sc 3, (ch 3. With RS facing you, bring ch 3 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 3 sts) 2 times to create leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 4. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc). (10 sts)

Rnd 13: Starting in pm st, sc 10. (10 sts)

Rnd 14: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 15: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 16: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 17: Sc 20.

Rnd 18: (Sc 8, sc2tog) 2 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 19: Sc 18.

Rnd 20: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 6 times. (12 sts)

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side

for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

If not adding wire, stuff leg.

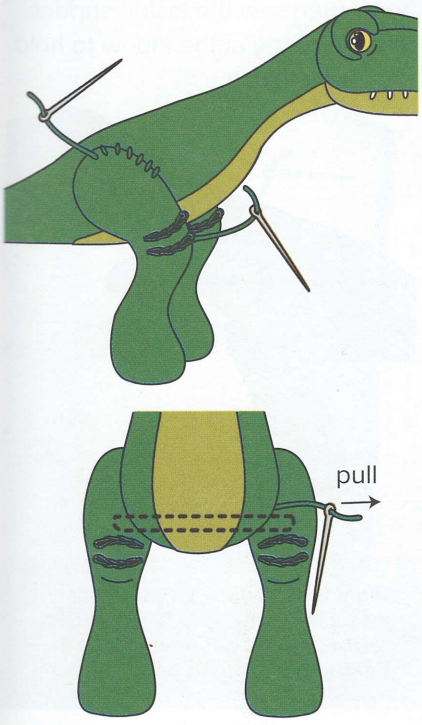
Rnd 21: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 4 times. (8 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in top of leg.

With the leg bend facing forward, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper parts of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.

To keep the legs from splaying out, attach yarn to the inside surface of one back leg, pass yarn through the body to the inside surface of the opposite back leg, and then back again through the body to the starting point. Pull to draw the legs close to the body, tie off the yarn, and weave in the end.



TOE (Make 4)

TIP: Keep the FP and BP sts loose to make them easier to work in.

Starting with ivory, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 6.

Cut ivory. Change to green.

Rnd 3: FPhdc 6.

Rnd 4: BPsc 6.

Rnd 5: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Fasten off yarn and stuff toe.

TOE CLAW RIDGE

Locate the beginning of rnd 4 of the Toe. There will be a rnd of surface loops from working in the back posts. In green, with the claw pointed down and working in the surface loops, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in first set of surface loops (counts as 1 sc) and continue to sc 1 in each set of surface loops around. (6 sts)

Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

LONG TOE (Make 2)

TIP: Keep the FP and BP sts loose to make them easier to work in.

Starting with ivory, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 6.

Rnd 3: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 4–5: Sc 8.

Cut ivory. Change to green.

Rnd 6: FPhdc 8.

Rnd 7: BPsc 8.

Rnd 8: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (10 sts)

Fasten off yarn and stuff long toe.

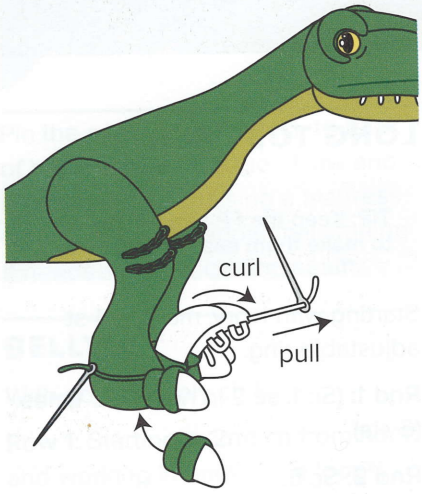
LONG TOE CLAW RIDGE

Locate the beginning of rnd 7 of the Long Toe. There will be a rnd of surface loops from working in the back posts. With the claw pointed down and working in the surface loops, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in first set

of surface loops (counts as 1 sc) and continue to sc 1 in each set of surface loops around. (8 sts)

Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

Sew the open edges of 2 front toes and 1 long toe to rnds 3–4 at the front of the leg with the long toe positioned along the inside edge. Repeat on other leg. Tilt long toe up and sew to inside surface of the lower leg. In ivory, apply a running stitch to the underside of the claw from tip to base and pull gently to curl claw.



ARM (Make 2)

In green, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 2–4: Sc 8.

Stuff upper arm.

Rnd 5: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 6–7: Sc 6.

Rnds 8–9: Sc2tog, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc2tog. (6 sts)

Rnd 10: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 11: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 12: Sc 6.

Use back of crochet hook to stuff upper and lower arm.

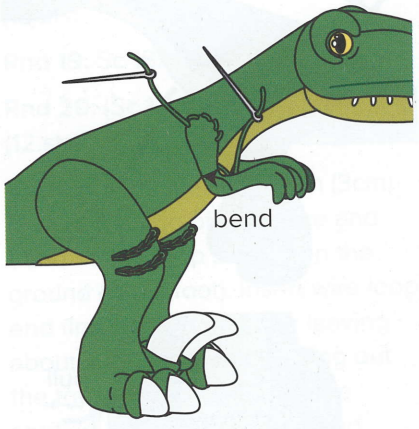
Continue to work in rows.

Row 13: Flatten open seam. (Sc through front and back edge at the same time) 3 times. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 14: Ch 1, (sl st in next st, ch 5, starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, sl st in base st of ch-5) 3 times and fasten off, leaving a long tail.

With leftover yarn tail, sew the long side edges of one finger tog so the finger folds in half length-wise. Repeat on other 2 fingers and weave in yarn tail.

Position arms along the sides of the upper body with the elbow shaping pointed down and pin in place. Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper portion of the arms to the sides of the body. Bend arms at the elbow to pose, then sew the inside surface of the arm tog at the elbow to hold shaping in place.



Want to turn your Velociraptor into a ferocious and feathered terror? Check out how to add a Feathery Fringe on page 15.

PLESIOSAUR

FINISHED SIZE: 20" long x 11" wide x 8" tall (51 x 28 x 20cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

This large marine "near to lizard" (not a dinosaur) lived during the early to middle part of the Jurassic period to the end of the Cretaceous period. They used their needlelike teeth to catch fish and could reach sizes up to 50 feet in length. Within their paddlelike fins were wrist and finger bones, leftover skeletal evidence from when they evolved from land lizards to ocean dwellers.

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in teal (300 yds/275m), black (2 yds/2m), ivory (100 yds/90m), and white (2 yds/2m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD

With teal, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 8.

Rnd 3: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnds 4–7: Sc 10.

Rnd 8: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 9: Sc 12.

Rnd 10: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 11–15: Sc 16.

If using safety eyes, install eyes between rnds 12–13 of the head with about 6 sts of space between them.

Rnd 16: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 2 times. (14 sts)

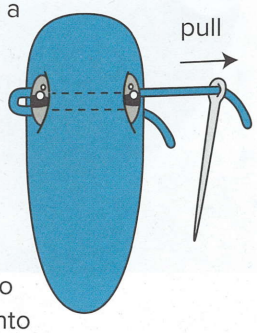
Rnds 17–18: Sc 14.

Rnd 19: Sc2tog 7 times. (7 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff head firmly. Close hole in back of head.

If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between rnds 12–13 with about 6 sts of space between them.

With teal, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.



JAW

With ivory, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnds 1–6: Sc 6.

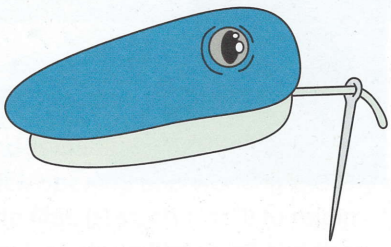
Rnd 7: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnds 8–11: Sc 9.

Rnd 12: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Stuff jaw, flatten back seam and sew shut.

Place front edge of jaw 1 rnd behind the front of nose. With ivory, mattress stitch back edge of jaw to the bottom of the head. Whip stitch the bottom of the head and inside surface of jaw tog.

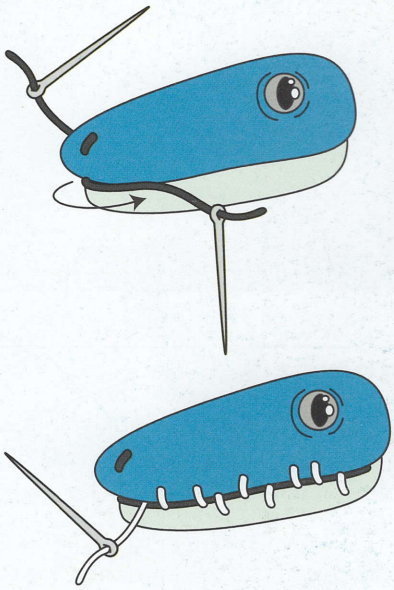


With black and a tapestry needle, draw a long stitch out from one corner of the mouth to the other, allowing the yarn to rest where the bottom of the head and top of the jaw come together.

The black will help accentuate the mouth line. If needed, apply a few evenly spaced small stitches over the long stitch to hold it in place. Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

With black, apply 2 short stitches over rnds 3–4 at the front of the head 2 stitches apart for nostrils.

With white, apply short stitches extending from both above and below the black mouth line for teeth.

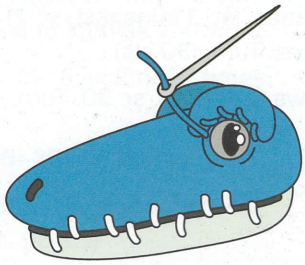


EYE RIDGE (Make 2)

With teal, ch 7.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 6 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head.



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BODY & TAIL

With teal, make a 6-st adjustable ring. Do not join. Turn. You will be working rows in a semi-circle shape.

Row 1: Ch 1, sc 2 in each st across. Turn. (12 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, (sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 2 in next st, sc 1) 3 times. Turn. (18 sts)

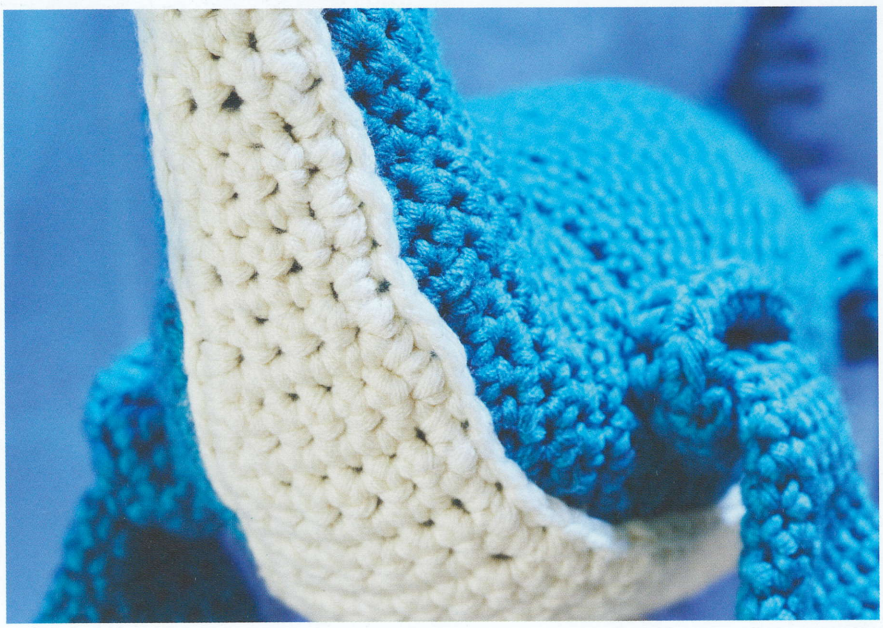
Row 3: Ch 1, sc 18. Turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, (sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 2 in next st, sc 2) 3 times. Turn. (24 sts)

Rows 5–6: Ch 1, sc 24. Turn.

Row 7: Ch 1, (sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 3 in next st, sc 2) 3 times. Turn. (30 sts)

Rows 8–9: Ch 1, sc 30. Turn.



Row 10: Ch 1, sc 2 in next 3 sts, sc across until 3 sts remain, sc 2 in next 3 sts. Turn.

Rows 11–12: Ch 1, sc 36. Turn.

Hold the ends of row 12 tog to create the neck opening. Work your next stitch across the gap to begin rnd 13 and continue working the rest of the pattern in the round.

Rnds 13–16: Sc 36.

Rnd 17: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 18–27: Sc 42.

Rnd 28: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 29–31: Sc 36.

Rnd 32: (Sc 7, sc2tog) 4 times. (32 sts)

Rnds 33–34: Sc 32.

Rnd 35: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 4 times. (28 sts)

Rnds 36–37: Sc 28.

Rnd 38: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 39: Sc 24.

Rnd 40: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnds 41–43: Sc 21.

Rnd 44: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 3 times. (18 sts).

Rnds 45–48: Sc 18.

If adding wire, put a safety pin in the last stitch of rnd 48 to keep the back of the tail open to make stuffing and installing a wire easier. Skip ahead and work the Neck.

Rnd 49: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 50–52: Sc 15.

Rnd 53: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 54–55: Sc 12.

Rnd 56: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnds 57–58: Sc 9.

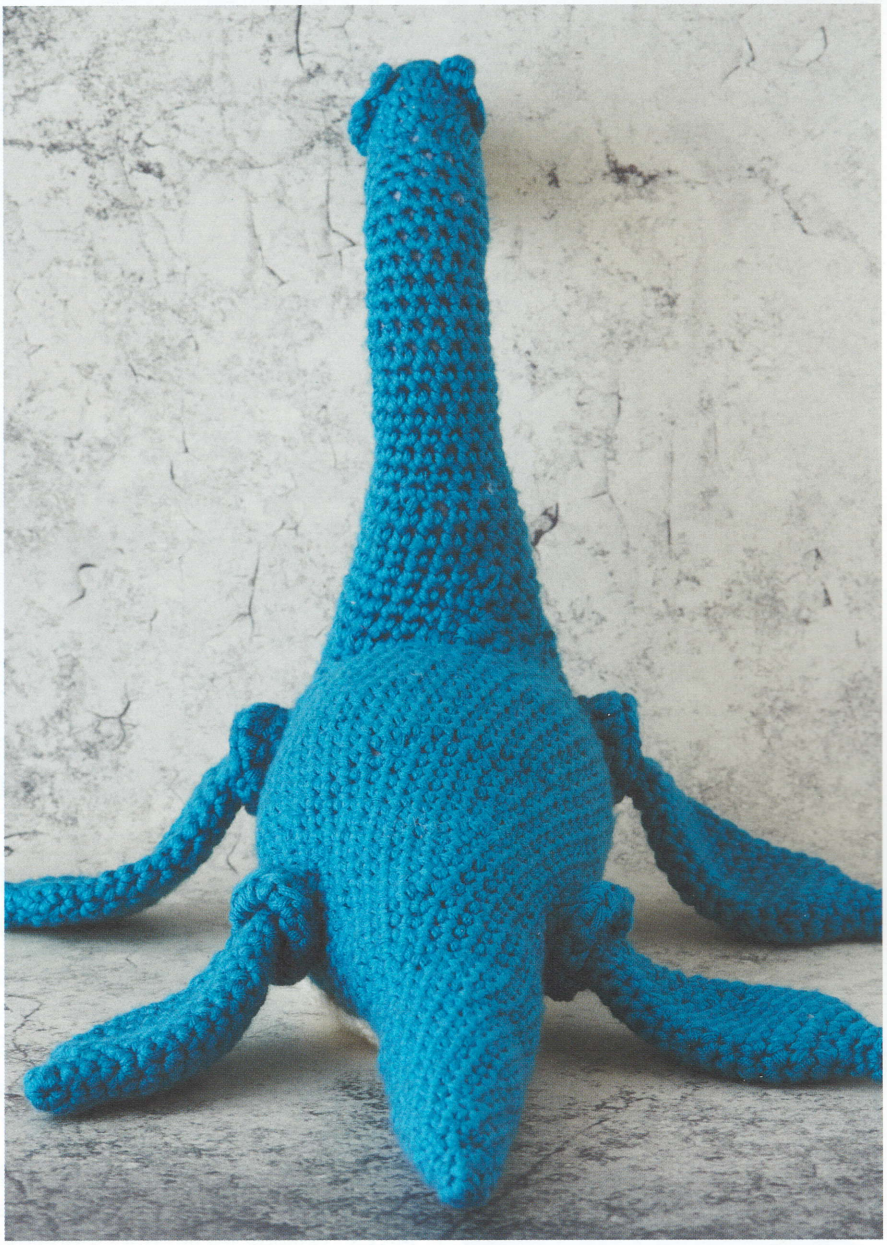
Rnd 59: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 3 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 60: Sc 6.

Rnd 61: Sc2tog 3 times. (3 sts)

Fasten off yarn and close hole at tip of tail.

If not adding wire, stuff body and tail firmly.



NECK

Rnd 1: Starting at the back of the neck opening and working the left side first, (sl st, ch 1, sc 1) to rejoin teal (counts as first sc st) and then sc 23 sts evenly around the entire edge of the neck opening. (24 sts)

Rnds 2–3: Sc 24.

Rnd 4: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 5–8: Sc 20.

Rnd 9: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 10–14: Sc 16.

If not using wire, stuff neck. Continue to stuff as you work.

Rnd 15: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnds 16–25: Sc 14.

Rnd 26: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (16 sts)

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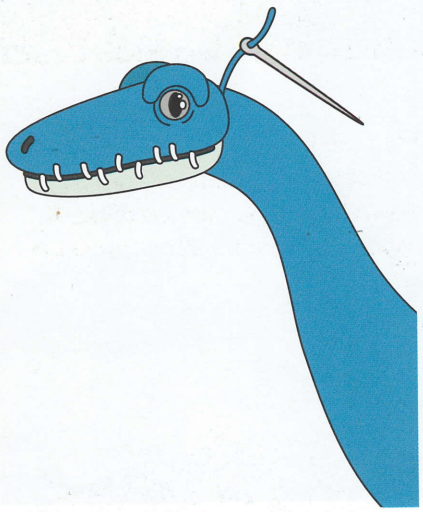
If using wire: To add some more support to the neck, take a paper wrapped floral wire and bend one end to form a 2-inch (5cm) loop. Insert the loop side down the neck and into the body so that 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) of wire sticks out from the top of the neck and 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) out of tail opening. Stuff the body and neck so the wire is enclosed in the stuffing. Work the neck wire into the back of the head. Return to rnd 49 of body and complete the tail, stuffing as you work.

Pin the open edge of neck to back of head and back edge of jaw and then sew in place using a mattress stitch. Add some additional stuffing if needed before closing seam.



BELLY

With ivory, loosely ch 4.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 3. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc 3. Turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc 1, sk 1, sc 1. Turn.

Rows 4–9: Ch 1, sc 2. Turn.

Row 10: Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (3 sts)

Rows 11–15: Ch 1, sc 3. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 16: Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 1. Turn. (4 sts)

Rows 17–21: Ch 1, sc 4. Turn.

Row 22: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 2, sc 2 in next st. Turn.

Rows 23–28: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn.

Row 29: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 4, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (8sts)

Rows 30–32: Ch 1, sc 8. Turn.

Row 33: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 6, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (10 sts)

Rows 34–39: Ch 1, sc 10. Turn.

Row 40: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 8, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (12 sts)

Rows 41–46: Ch 1, sc 12. Turn.

Row 47: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 8, sc2tog. Turn. (10 sts)

Rows 48–56: Ch 1, sc 10. Turn. (10 sts)

Row 57: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 6, sc2tog. Turn. (8 sts)

Row 58: Ch 1, sc 8. Turn.

Row 59: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 4, sc2tog. Turn. (6 sts)

Rows 60–61: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn.

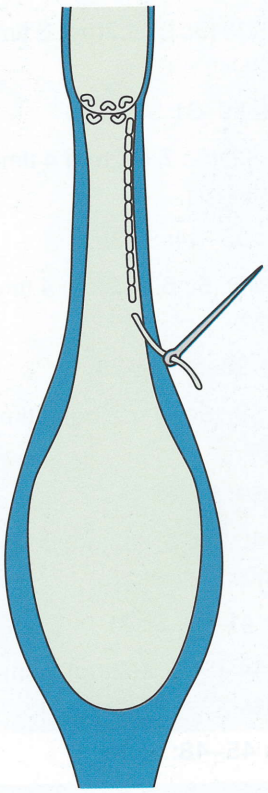
Row 62: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 2, sc2tog. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 63: Ch 1, sc2tog 2 times. (2 sts)

Sc around entire edge of belly piece, putting 2 scs in the corner shaping where necessary. Fasten off in first st of row 63.

Pin row 1 edge of belly to the back edge of lower jaw where it meets the neck. Pin down the remaining edge to the neck and body.

Mattress stitch the row 1 belly edge to the back of the jaw, then back stitch the remaining belly edge to the body.



FLIPPER (Make 4)

With teal, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 4, sc 2 in next st, sc 1. (7 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 2, sc 2 in next st, sc 4. (8 sts)

Rnd 4: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 5: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 6–12: Sc 16.

Rnd 13: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 14: Sc 14.

Rnd 15: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 16–17: Sc 12.

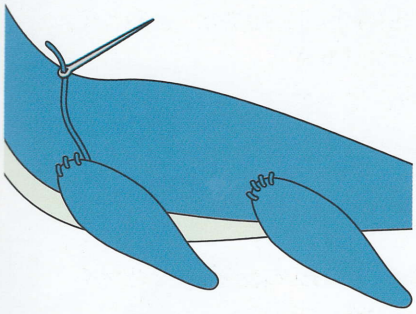
Rnd 18: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 19: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 3 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 20: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Do not stuff. Flatten seam and sew shut.

With teal, whip stitch sewn seam edge to sides of body with the tips of the flippers angled toward the tail.



FLIPPER FLAP (Make 4)

With teal, ch 13.

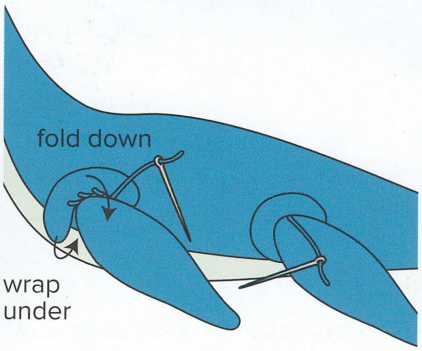
Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 3, hdc 6, sc 3. Turn. (12 sts)

Rows 2–3: Ch 1, sc 3, hdc 6, sc 3. Turn. (12 sts)

Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Wrap the sl st edge of flap over the top, sides and bottom of the flipper so that the ends of the flap touch to form a ring. Sew the flap ends tog. Flatten the flap up against the body and, working along the underside of the flap, whip stitch the sl st edge to where the flipper meets the body.

Fold the flap down over the top and sides of the flipper and tack down the inside surface of the flap to the flipper with a few small stitches.



GALLIMIMUS

FINISHED SIZE: 13" long x 4" wide x 11" tall (33 x 10 x 28cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

Gallimimus, meaning "chicken mimic," was the largest member of the ornithomimid ("bird mimic") family of dinosaurs and lived during the late Cretaceous period. Bearing a striking resemblance to modern day ostriches, it was probably covered in feathers, sported a long, slender, beaklike snout (similar to the beak of a duck), and could reach speeds of 29 to 34 miles per hour.

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in tan (225 yds/206m), ivory (75 yds/69m) and black (2 yds/2m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD

With tan, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 12.

Rnd 3: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnd 4: Sc 10.

Rnd 5: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 6–8: Sc 8.

Rnd 9: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 10: Sc 12.

Rnd 11: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 12: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

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Rnd 13: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 14–15: Sc 24.

If using safety eyes, install eyes between rnds 12–13 of the head with about 6 to 7 sts of space between them.

Rnd 16: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 6 times. (18 sts)

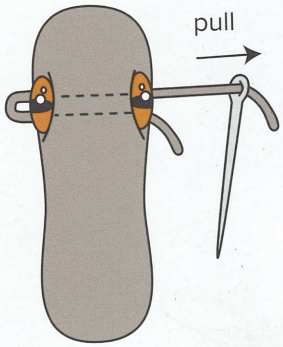
Rnd 17: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 6 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 18: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 4 times. (8 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff head firmly. Close hole in back of head

If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between rnds 12–13 with about 6 to 7 sts of space between them.

With tan, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.



JAW

With ivory, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 2–3: Sc 8.

Rnd 4: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 5–6: Sc 6.

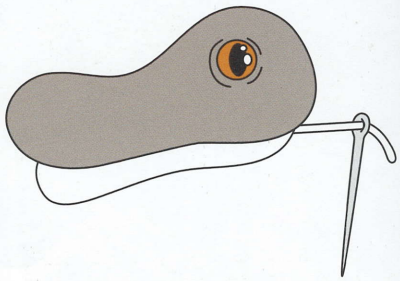
Rnd 7: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 8: Sc 9.

Rnd 9: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

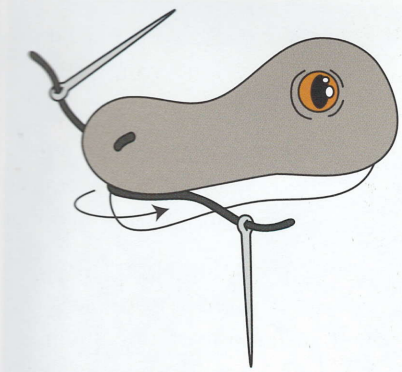
Stuff jaw, flatten back seam and sew shut.

Place front edge of jaw 1 rnd behind the front of nose. With ivory, mattress stitch back edge of jaw to the bottom of the head. Whip stitch the bottom of the head and inside surface of jaw tog.



With black and a tapestry needle, draw a long stitch out from one corner of the mouth to the other, allowing the yarn to rest where the bottom of the head and top of the jaw come together. The black will help accentuate the mouth line. If needed, apply a few evenly spaced small stitches over the long stitch to hold it in place. Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

With black, apply 2 short stitches over rnds 1–2 at the front of the head 4 sts apart for nostrils.

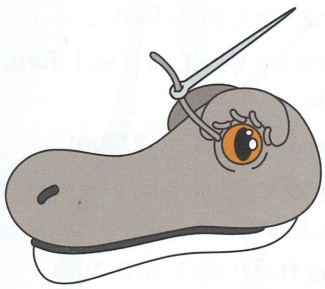


EYE RIDGE (Make 2)

With tan, ch 7.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 6 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head.



BODY & TAIL

With tan, make a 4-st adjustable ring. Do not join. Turn. You'll work rows in a semi-circle shape.

Row 1: Ch 1, sc 2 in each st across. Turn. (8 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, (sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times, (sc 2 in next st, sc 1) 2 times. Turn. (12 sts)

Rows 3–4: Ch 1, sc 12. Turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc 2 in next 2 sts, sc across until 2 sts remain, sc 2 in next 2 sts. Turn. (16 sts)

Row 6: Ch 1, sc 16. Turn.

Row 7: Ch 1, sc 2 in next 2 sts, sc across until 2 sts remain, sc 2 in next 2 sts. Do not turn. (20 sts)

Row 8: Ch 1, sc 2 in next 2 sts, sc across until 2 sts remain, sc 2 in next 2 sts. Do not turn. (24 sts)

Hold the ends of row 8 tog to create the neck opening. Work your next stitch across the gap to begin rnd 9 and continue working the rest of the pattern in the round.

Rnds 9–10: Sc 24.

Rnd 11: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 12–13: Sc 20.

Rnd 14: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 15–16: Sc 24.

Rnd 17: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 18–20: Sc 30.

Rnd 21: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 22–23: Sc 24.

Rnd 24: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 6 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 25–28: Sc 18.

Rnd 29: (Sc 7, sc2tog) 2 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 30–32: Sc 16.

Rnd 33: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnds 34–35: Sc 14.

Rnd 36: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 37–39: Sc 12.

If adding wire, put a safety pin in the last stitch of rnd 39 to keep the back of the tail open to make stuffing and installing a wire easier. Skip ahead and work the Neck.

Rnd 40: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnds 41–42: Sc 10.

Rnd 43: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 44–45: Sc 8.

Rnd 46: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 47–48: Sc 6.

Rnd 49: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 2 times. (4 sts)

Sk 1 and fasten off yarn. Close hole at tip of tail.

If not adding wire, stuff body and tail firmly.

NECK

Rnd 1: Starting at the back of the neck opening and working the left side first, (sl st, ch 1, sc 1) to rejoin the tan yarn (counts as first sc st) and then sc 17 sts evenly around the entire edge of the neck opening. (18 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 7, sc2tog) 2 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 3: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnds 4–5: Sc 14.

If not using wire, stuff neck. Continue to stuff as you work.

Rnd 6: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 7–13: Sc 12.

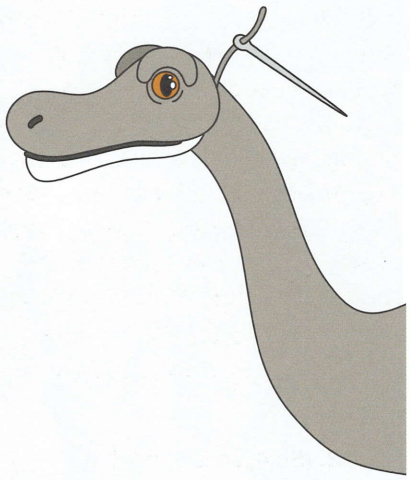
Rnd 14: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 15: Sc 16.

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

If using wire: To add some more support to the neck, take a paper wrapped floral wire and bend one end to form a 2-inch (5cm) loop. Insert the loop side down the neck and into the body so that 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) of wire sticks out from the top of the neck and 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) out of tail opening. Stuff the body and neck so the wire is enclosed in the stuffing. Work the neck wire into the back of the head. Return to rnd 40 of body and complete the tail, stuffing as you work.

Pin the open edge of neck to back of head and back edge of jaw and then sew in place using a mattress stitch. Add some additional stuffing if needed before closing seam.



BELLY

With ivory, loosely ch 4.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 3. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc 3. Turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc 1, sk 1, sc 1. Turn. (2 sts)

Rows 4–9: Ch 1, sc 2. Turn.

Row 10: Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (3 sts)

Rows 11–14: Ch 1, sc 3. Turn.

Row 15: Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 1. Turn. (4 sts)

Rows 16–20: Ch 1, sc 4. Turn.

Row 21: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 2, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (6 sts)

Rows 22–28: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn.

Row 29: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 4, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (8 sts)

Rows 30–35: Ch 1, sc 8. Turn.

Row 36: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 4, sc2tog. Turn. (6 sts)

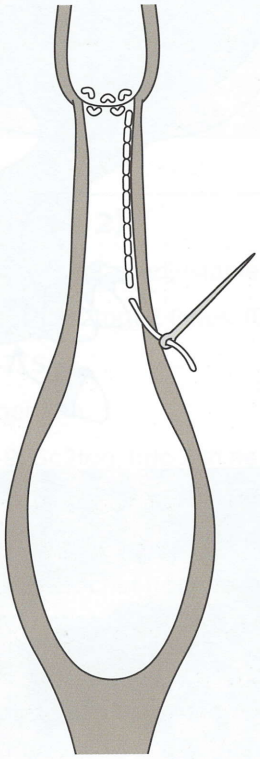
Row 37: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 2, sc2tog. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 38: Ch 1, sc2tog 2 times. Turn. (2 sts)

Sc around entire edge of belly piece, putting 2 scs in the corner shaping where necessary. Fasten off in first st of row 38.

Pin row 1 edge of belly to the back edge of lower jaw where it meets the neck. Pin down the remaining edge to the neck and body.

Mattress stitch the row 1 belly edge to the back of the jaw, then back stitch the remaining belly edge to the body.



LEG (Make 2)

With tan, make a 5-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (10 sts)

Rnds 2–3: Sc 10.

Rnd 4: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 5–10: Sc 8.

Rnds 11–12: Sc2tog 2 times, sc 1, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc 1. (8 sts)

Rnds 13: Sc 8.

Rnd 14: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnd 15: Sc 10.

Rnd 16: Sc 1, pm, sc 3, (ch 3. With RS facing you, bring ch 3 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 3 sts) 2 times to create leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 4. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc). (10 sts)

Rnd 17: Starting in pm st, sc 10. (10 sts)

Rnd 18: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 19: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 20: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 21: Sc 20.

Rnd 22: (Sc 8, sc2tog) 2 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 23: Sc 18.

Rnd 24: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 6 times. (12 sts)

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

If not adding wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 25: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 4 times. (8 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in top of leg.

With the leg bend facing forward, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place.

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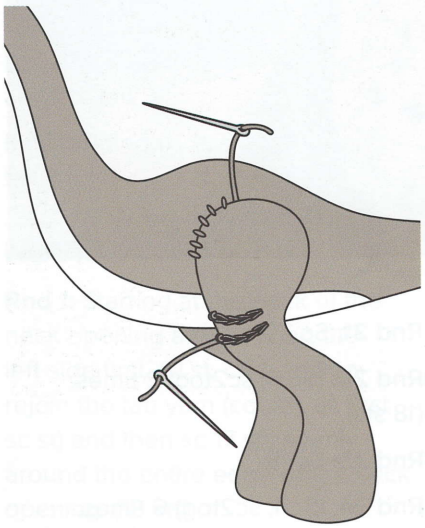
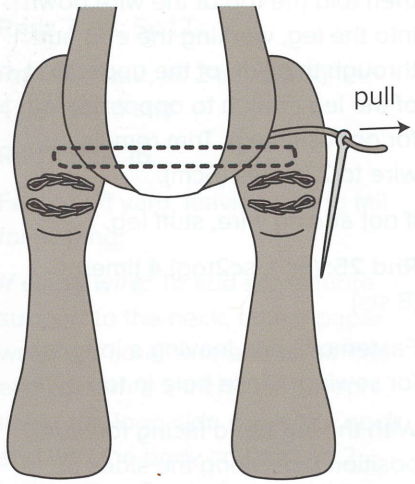
Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper parts of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



To keep the legs from splaying out, attach yarn to the inside surface of one back leg, pass yarn through the body to the inside surface of the opposite back leg, and then back again through the body to the starting point. Pull to draw the legs close to the body, tie off the yarn, and weave in the end.



TOE (Make 6)

TIP: Keep the FP and BP sts loose to make them easier to work in.

Starting with ivory, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 6.

Cut ivory. Change to tan.

Rnd 3: FPhdc 6.

Rnd 4: BPsc 6.

Rnd 5: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

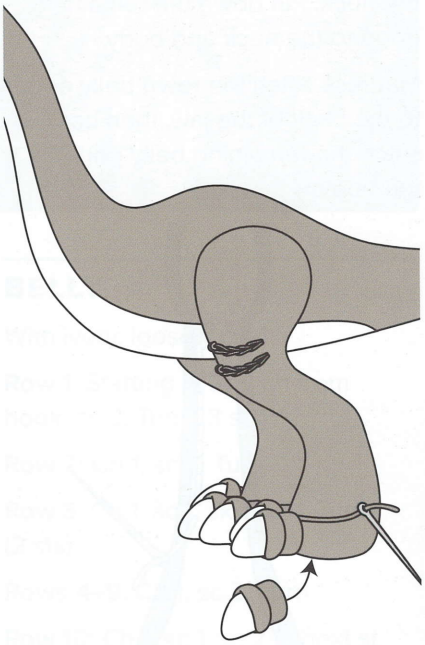
Fasten off yarn and stuff toe.

TOE CLAW RIDGE

Locate the beginning of rnd 4 of the Toe. There will be a rnd of surface loops from working in the back posts. In tan, with the claw pointed down and working in the surface loops, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in first set of surface loops (counts as 1 sc) and continue to sc 1 in each set of surface loops around. (6 sts)

Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

Sew the open edges of 3 toes to rnds 1–2 at the front of the leg. Repeat on other leg.



ARM (Make 2)

In tan, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 2–7: Sc 6.

Stuff upper arm.

Rnds 8–9: Sc2tog, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc2tog. (6 sts)

Rnds 10–14: Sc 6.

Use back of crochet hook to stuff upper and lower arm.

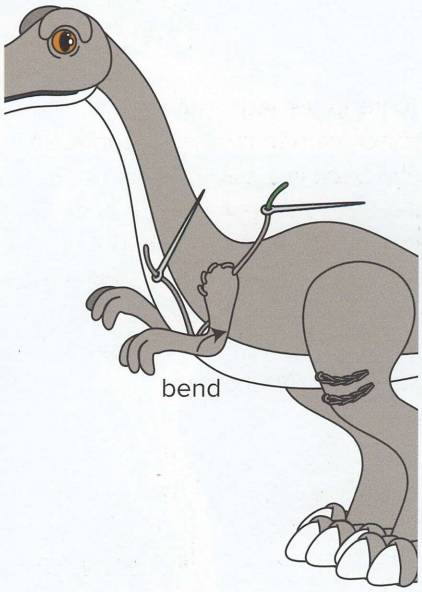
Continue to work in rows.

Row 15: Flatten open seam. (Sc through front and back edge at the same time) 3 times. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 16: Ch 1, (sl st in next st, ch 5, starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, sl st in base st of ch-5) 3 times and fasten off leaving a long tail.

With leftover yarn tail, sew the long side edges of one finger tog so the finger folds in half length-wise. Repeat on other 2 fingers and weave in yarn tail.

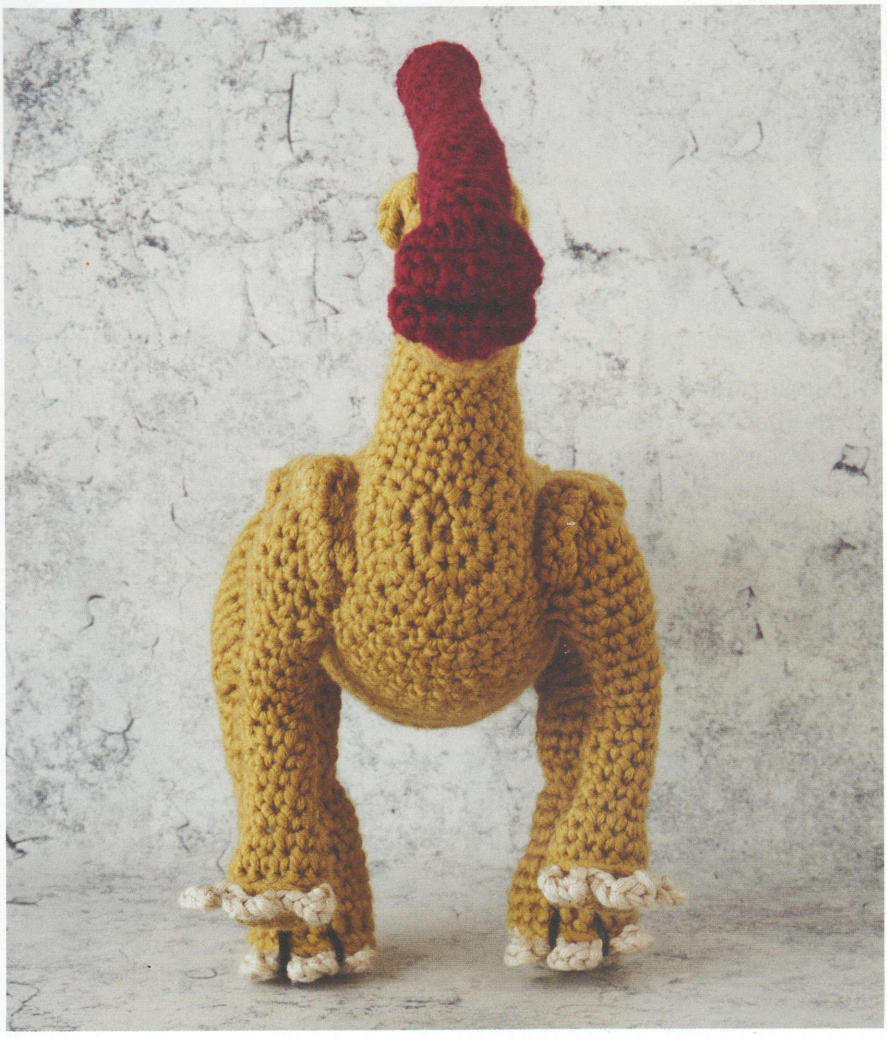
Position arms along the sides of the upper body with the elbow shaping pointed down and pin in place. Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper portion of the arms to the sides of the body. Bend arms at the elbow to pose, then sew the inside surface of the arm tog at the elbow to hold shaping in place.



PARASAUROLOPHUS

FINISHED SIZE: 17½" long x 5" wide x 11" tall (44 x 13 x 28cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

From the late Cretaceous period, this "near crested lizard" was a part of the hadrosaurid or duck-billed dinosaur family. It could walk on either two legs or four and enjoyed dining on plants and tree foliage. The purpose of its hollow crest is still up for debate (although the "snorkel" hypothesis has been soundly rejected).



MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in gold (300 yds/275m), dark red (50 yds/46m), tan (20 yds/19m) and black (2 yds/2m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD

Starting with dark red, loosely ch 6.

Rnd 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, sc 3 in next st. Rotate work so front loops of chain are facing up. Starting in front loops of next ch, sc 3, sc 2 in next st. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 16.

Rnd 4: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 5: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 6: Sc 12.

Cut dark red. Change to gold.

Rnd 7: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

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Rnd 8: Sc 16.

Rnd 9: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 10: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 11–14: Sc 24.

If using safety eyes, install eyes between rnds 12–13 of the head with about 5 to 6 sts of space between them.

Rnd 15: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 16–17: Sc 20.

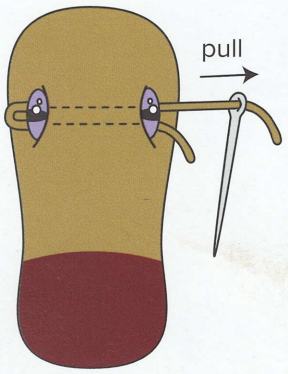
Rnd 18: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 19: Sc2tog 8 times. (8 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff head firmly. Close hole in back of head

If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between rnds 12–13 with about 6 to 7 sts of space between them.

With gold, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.



UPPER JAW & CREST

With dark red, loosely ch 6.

Rnd 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, sc 3 in next st. Rotate work so front loops of chain are facing up. Starting in front loops of next ch, sc 3, sc 2 in next st. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 3–4: Sc 16.

Rnd 5: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 6: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 7: Sc 12.

Stuff upper jaw and crest. Continue to stuff as you work.

Rnd 8: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnds 9–15: Sc 10.

Rnd 16: Sc 4, sc2tog, sc 4. (9 sts)

Rnds 17–26: Sc 9.

Rnd 27: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

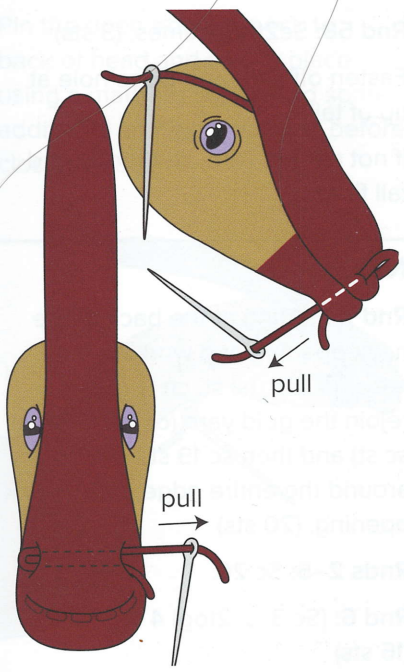
Rnd 28: Sc 12.

Rnd 29: Sc2tog 6 times. (6 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole at tip of crest.

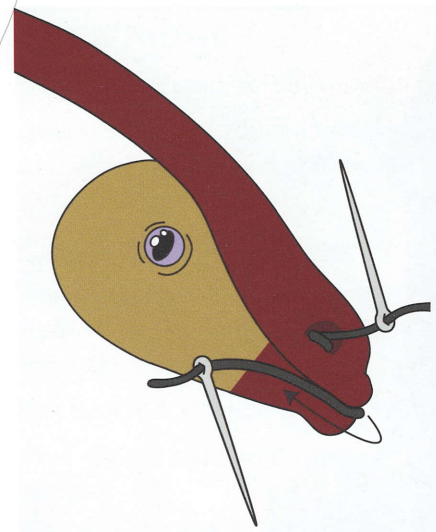
Line up the front of the upper jaw with the lower jaw with crest resting between the eyes and pin in place. Attach upper jaw and crest to the top of the head with dark red yarn by sewing the head and side edges of the upper jaw/crest tog with a mattress stitch.

With dark red, sew a running stitch through rnd 3 of the top and bottom of the head and upper jaw to create the top and bottom lip shaping. Stitch back and forth between the sides of the upper jaw and crest piece between rnds 5 to 6, pulling gently to shape the nose.



With black, embroider 1 to 2 short stitches for each nostril where the nose shaping was applied.

With black and a tapestry needle, draw a long stitch out at the side of the head (around rnd 9), across the front of the mouth and into to the opposite side of the head, allowing the yarn to rest between the top and bottom lips. The black will help accentuate the mouth line. If needed, apply a few evenly spaced small stitches over the long stitch to shape and hold the mouth line in place. Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

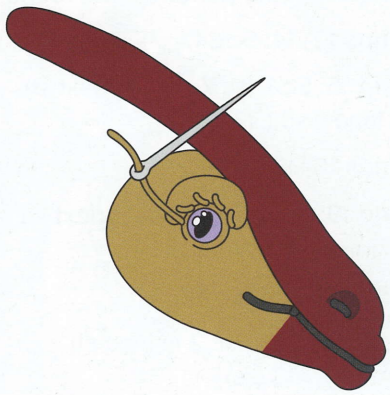


EYE RIDGE (MAKE 2)

With gold, ch 7.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 6 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head.



BODY & TAIL

With gold, make a 6-st adjustable ring. Do not join. Turn. You will be working a semi-circle shape.

Row 1: Ch 1, sc 2 in each st across. Turn. (12 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, (sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 2 in next st, sc 1) 3 times. Turn. (18 sts)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc 18. Turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, (sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 2 in next st, sc 2) 3 times. Turn. (24 sts)

Rows 5–6: Ch 1, sc 24. Turn.

Row 7: Ch 1, (sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 3 times, (sc 3 in next st, sc 2) 3 times. Turn. (30 sts)

Rows 8–9: Ch 1, sc 30. Turn.

Row 10: Ch 1, sc 2 in next 2 sts, sc across until 2 sts remain, sc 2 in next 2 sts. Turn. (34 sts)

Row 11: Ch 1, sc 34. Turn.

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Hold the ends of row 11 tog to create the neck opening. Work your next stitch across the gap to begin rnd 12 and continue working the rest of the pattern in the round.

Rnds 12–14: Sc 34.

Rnd 15: Sc 1, (sc 7, sc 2 in next st) 4 times, sc 1. (38 sts)

Rnds 16–18: Sc 38.

Rnd 19: Sc 1, (sc 8, sc 2 in next st) 4 times, sc 1. (42 sts)

Rnds 20–24: Sc 42.

Rnd 25: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (48 sts)

Rnds 26–28: Sc 48.

Rnd 29: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 30–31: Sc 42.

Rnd 32: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 33–35: Sc 36.

Rnd 36: (Sc 7, sc2tog) 4 times. (32 sts)

Rnds 37–38: Sc 32.

Rnd 39: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 4 times. (28 sts)

Rnds 40–41: Sc 28.

Rnd 42: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 43: Sc 24.

Rnd 44: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 45: Sc 21.

Rnd 46: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 3 times. (18 sts).

Rnd 47: Sc 18.

If adding wire, put a safety pin in your last stitch of rnd 47 to keep the back of the tail open to make stuffing and applying wires easier. Skip ahead to the Neck section.

Rnd 48: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 49–50: Sc 15.

Rnd 51: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 52–53: Sc 12.

Rnd 54: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 55–56: Sc 9.

Rnd 57: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 3 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 58: Sc2tog 3 times. (3 sts)

Fasten off yarn and close hole at tip of tail.

If not adding wire, stuff body and tail firmly.

NECK

Rnd 1: Starting at the back of the neck opening and working the left side first, (sl st, ch 1, sc 1) to rejoin the gold yarn (counts as first sc st) and then sc 19 sts evenly around the entire edge of the neck opening. (20 sts)

Rnds 2–5: Sc 20.

Rnd 6: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 7–10: Sc 16.

If not using wire, stuff neck. Continue to stuff as you work.

Rnd 11: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnds 12–14: Sc 14.

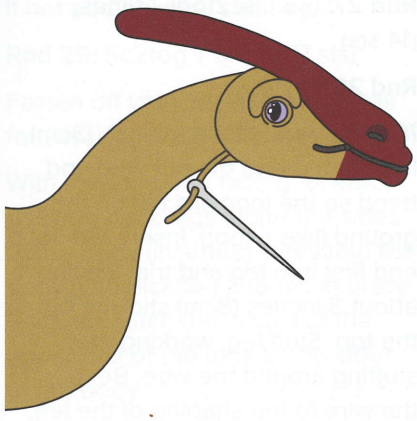
Rnd 15: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 16: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st, sc 4) 2 times. (18 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

If using wire: To add some more support to the neck, take a paper wrapped floral wire and bend one end to form a 2-inch (5cm) loop. Insert the loop side down the neck and into the body so that 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) of wire sticks out from the top of the neck and 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) out of tail opening. Stuff the body and neck so the wire is enclosed in the stuffing. Work the neck wire into the back of the head. Return to rnd 47 of body and complete the tail, stuffing as you work.

Pin the open edge of neck to back of head and sew in place using a mattress stitch. Add some additional stuffing if needed before closing seam.



BACK RIDGE

Starting with gold, ch 56.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from loop and working in back ridge loops, sc to end. Turn. (55 sts)

Cut gold. Change to dark red.

Rows 2-3: Ch 1, *sc 1, hdc 1; rep from * until 1 st remains, sc 1. Turn. (55 sts)

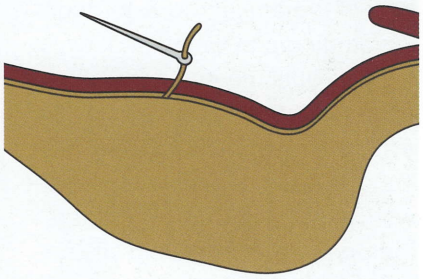
Cut dark red. Change to gold.

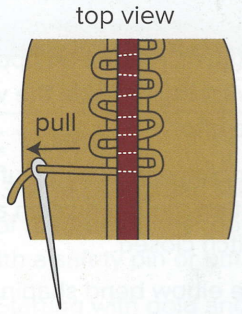
Row 4: Ch 1, sc to end. Turn. (55 sts)

Row 5: Ch 1, sl st to end. (55 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Pin down edges of back ridge to back of body starting from where the crest meets the back of the head to the end of the tail. With gold, mattress stitch the edges in place, then apply a running stitch back and forth along the base of the back ridge from beginning to end for some additional shaping.





ARM (Make 2)

In gold, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 3–5: Sc 16.

Rnd 6: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 4 times. (12 sts)

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Rnd 7: Sc 12.

Stuff upper arm. Continue stuffing as you work if you are not adding the optional wire.

Rnd 8: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 4 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 9–11: Sc 8.

Rnds 12–13: Sc2tog, hdc 1, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, hdc 1, sc2tog. (8 sts)

Rnds 14–18: Sc 8.

Rnd 19: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

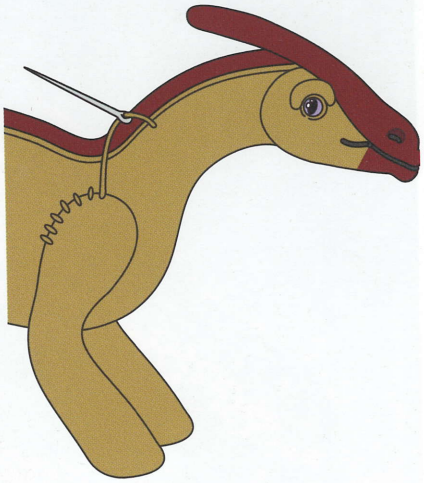
Rnds 20–24: Sc 12.

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

If using wire: Insert wire into the side of the arm at rnd 3, through the stuffing and weave it down the arm until the end of the wire appears at the arm opening. Make a small loop at the end of wire for hand support. Working around the wire, stuff the lower arm, flatten the open seam and whip stitch closed. Trim the wire sticking out at the side of the upper arm to 2 inches (5cm). Repeat on opposite arm, switching the side the wire is inserted into.

If not adding wire, finish stuffing arm, flatten the open seam and whip stitch closed.

With the elbow bend shaping from rnds 12–13 facing backward, position arms along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. The top of the shoulder will be 1 to 2 rounds below the first round of the neck. Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper parts of the arms to the sides of the body.



FRONT TOE (Make 2)

Starting with gold, loosely ch 6.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 1, hdc 3, sc 1. Turn. (5 sts)

Cut gold. Change to tan.

Row 2: Working in bl, [(sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st, sl st 1] 2 times, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st. (3 toes)

Fasten off yarn tails and weave in ends.

Pin and whip stitch row 1 of the front toes to the seamed edge at the bottom of the arms.

BACK LEG (Make 2)

Starting with tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Cut tan. Change to gold.

Rnd 3: Sc 18.

Rnd 4: Fpsc 18.

Rnds 5–6: Sc 18

Rnd 7: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 8–10: Sc 15.

Rnd 11: Sc 6, sc2tog, sc 7. (14 sts)

Rnds 12–13: Sc2tog 2 times, sc 1, hdc 2 in next 4 sts, sc 1, sc2tog 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnds 14–15: Sc 14.

Rnd 16: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 17: Sc 6, pm, sc 6, (ch 5. With RS facing you, bring ch 5 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 6 sts) 2 times to create leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 3. (16 sts)

Rnd 18: Sc 4. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 10. (16 sts)

Rnd 19: (Sc 7, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 20–22: Sc 18.

Rnd 23: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnds 24–26: Sc 21.

Rnd 27: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 7 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 28: Sc 14.

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down

into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

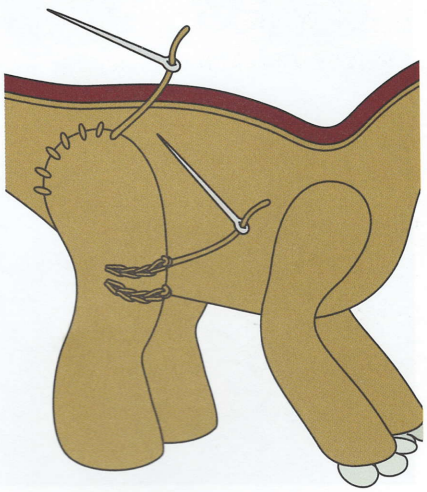
If not adding wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 29: Sc2tog 7 times. (7 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in top of leg.

With the leg bend facing forward, position back legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. Mattress stitch the edges of the upper half of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



BACK TOES

On rnd 3 of back leg, find the center of the front of the foot and mark with a safety pin or pm.

Row 1: Starting with gold and with the dinosaur facing you, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in 2nd st to the right of center pm (counts as first sc). Sc 4 more sts across front of foot, ch 1. Turn. (5 sts)

Cut gold. Change to tan.

Row 2: Working in bl, [(sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st, sl st 1] 2 times, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st. (3 toes)

Fasten off yarn tails and weave in ends.

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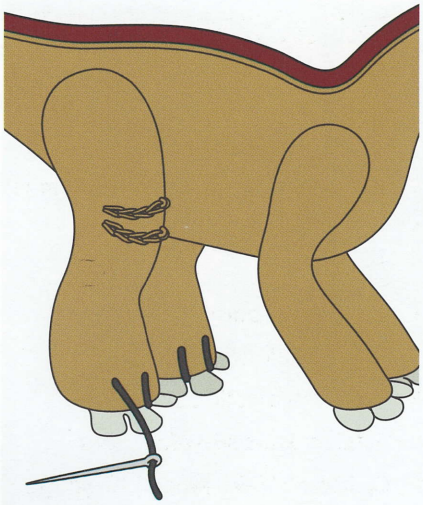
With black and a tapestry needle embroider 2 long stitches in the spaces between the toenails (working between rnds 4 and 2 of the back leg) to better define the toes, pulling gently as you sew to cinch the shaping.



HIP FLAP (Make 2)

With gold, ch 17.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, hdc 8, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

Rows 2–4: Ch 1, sc 4, hdc 8, sc 4. Turn. (16 sts)

Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

SHOULDER FLAP (Make 2)

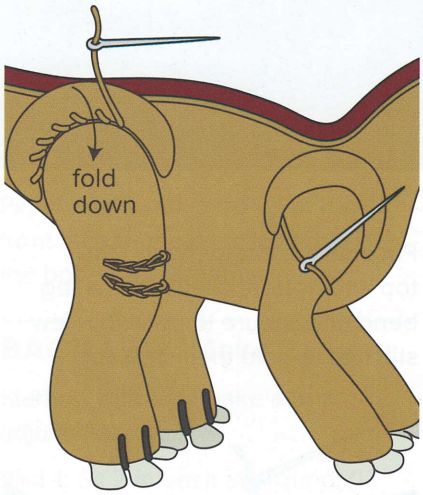
With gold, ch 13.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 3, hdc 6, sc 3. Turn. (12 sts)

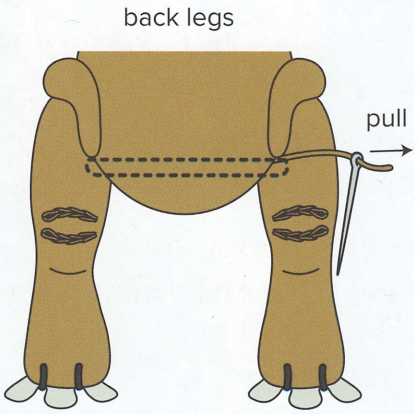
Rows 2–3: Ch 1, sc 3, hdc 6, sc 3. Turn. (12 sts)

Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Wrap the sl st edge of hip/shoulder flap over the top of the hip/shoulder, flattening the flap against the body. Working along the underside of the flap, whip stitch the sl st edge to where the top of the limb meets the body. Fold the flap down over the top of the limb and tack down the inside surface of the flap to the top of the limb with a few small stitches.



To keep the back legs from splaying out, attach yarn to the inside surface of one back leg, pass yarn through the body to the inside surface of the opposite back leg, and then back again through the body to the starting point. Pull to draw the legs close to the body, tie off the yarn, and weave in the end.



PTERANODON

FINISHED SIZE: 7" long x 19" wide x 8" tall (18 x 48 x 20cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

From the Greek for "wing" and "toothless," the Pteranodon is the largest of the flying reptiles (not a dinosaur) with wing spans reaching up to 26 feet across. They lived during the late Cretaceous period and are sometimes confused with the smaller Pterodactyl from the late Jurassic period. They had long, slender beaks, similar to birds, and probably flew in a similar manner to the modern day albatross.

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in dark purple (150 yds/138m), yellow (150 yds/138m) and black (2 yds/2m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

UPPER BEAK & FACE

With yellow, ch 2.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loop, sc 1. Turn. (1 st)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc 1. Turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (2 sts)

Rows 4–5: Ch 1, sc 2. Turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (3 sts)

Rows 7–9: Ch 1, sc 3. Turn.

Row 10: Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 1. Turn. (4 sts)

Eye Spots

Row 11: Ch 1, sc 2. Sk next 2 sts and pm in last st in row. Turn. Leave remaining 2 sts unworked. (2 sts)

Row 12: Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 13: Ch 1, sc 2 in next 2 sts, sc 1. Turn. (5 sts)

Row 14: Ch 1, sc 5. Turn.

Row 15: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 3. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 16: Ch 1, sc 2, sc2tog. (3 sts)

Cut and fasten off yarn.

Hold work with RS facing you so pm stitch is on the right-hand side.

With yellow, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in pm st (counts as first sc), sc 1 in next st and turn. Work rows 12-16 but do not cut yarn. Proceed to sc around entire edge of Upper Face & Beak, then cut yarn and fasten off.

LOWER BEAK, HEAD & CREST

In dark purple, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 4.

Rnd 2: Sc 2, sc 2 in next st, sc 1. (5 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 5.

Rnd 4: Sc 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 3. (6 sts)

Rnd 5: Sc 6.

Rnd 6: Sc 3, sc 2 in next st, sc 2. (7 sts)

Rnd 7: Sc 7.

Rnd 8: Sc 4, sc 2 in next st, sc 2. (8 sts)

Rnd 9: Sc 8.

Lightly stuff beak. Continue to stuff as you work.

Rnd 10: Sc 2, sc 2 in next st, sc 5. (9 sts)

Rnd 11: Sc 3, sc 2 in next st, sc 5. (10 sts)

Rnd 12: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 13: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 14–15: Sc 16.

Rnd 16: (Sc 7, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 17: Sc 18.

Rnd 18: Sc2tog 3 times, sc 6, sc2tog 3 times. (12 sts)

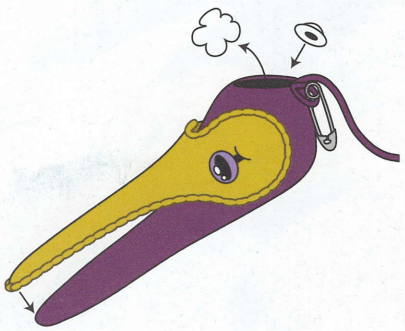
Rnd 19: Sc2tog, sc 8, sc2tog, pm. (10 sts)

Rnds 20–21: Sc 10.

Pm marks the back of the head.

If using plastic safety eyes, remove hook and put safety pin in loop to keep stitch from pulling out. Set aside. If not using plastic safety eyes, skip ahead to rnd 22 and continue working to end.

With the sc edging of upper beak and face on RS of work, position a safety eye in the middle of each eye spot (but do not apply backing). Position upper beak and face on top of the lower beak and head so the tip of the beaks line up and the pm from rnd 19 is positioned at the back of the head. Insert the eye posts into the sides of the head. Remove some stuffing if needed, and apply the backings.



TIP: You may find that some backings are easier to apply when the concave side is facing out instead of in, but this may also result in a less secure eye, so please use your discretion.

If the eye backings prove to be too difficult to apply; remove the eyes and complete the head as written. Once the upper beak and head are sewn on, install the safety eyes by applying glue to the posts and inserting them into the sides of the eye spots.

Remove safety pin and continue to work head crest, stuffing as you work.

Rnd 22: Sc 3, sc2tog, sc 5. (9 sts)

Rnd 23: Sc 1, sc2tog, sc 6. (8 sts)

Rnd 24: Sc 8.

Rnd 25: Sc 4, sc2tog, sc 2. (7 sts)

Rnds 26–27: Sc 7.

Rnd 28: Sc 2, sc2tog, sc 3. (6 sts)

Rnd 29: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 2 times. (4 sts)

Rnd 30: Sc2tog, sk 1, sl st in next st to fasten off.

If not using plastic safety eyes, position upper beak and face on top of the lower beak and head so the tip of the beaks line up and them pm from rnd 19 is positioned at the back of the head.

Pin down the loose edges of the upper beak and face and back stitch in place with yellow yarn.

Embroider eyes onto center of eye spots if not using plastic safety eyes.

With dark purple, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) into surface of work on the top of the head between the eye spots to rejoin yarn. Sc a vertical line of stitches into the head starting from

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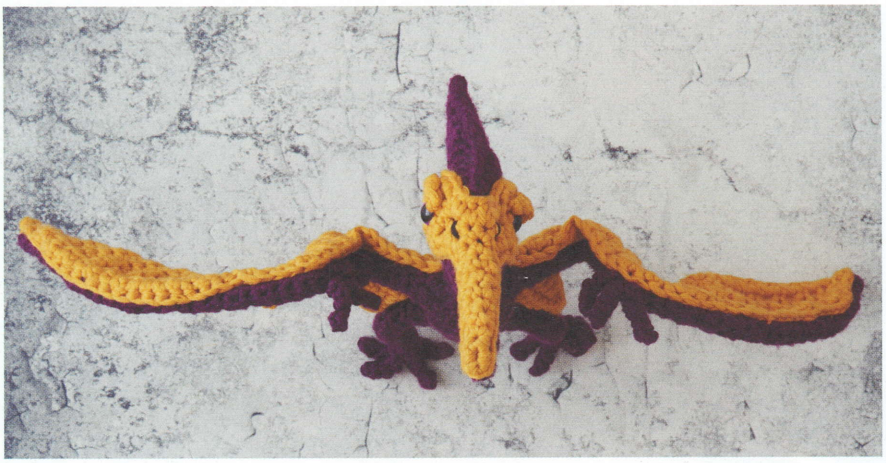
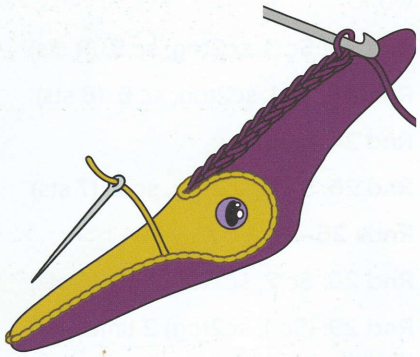


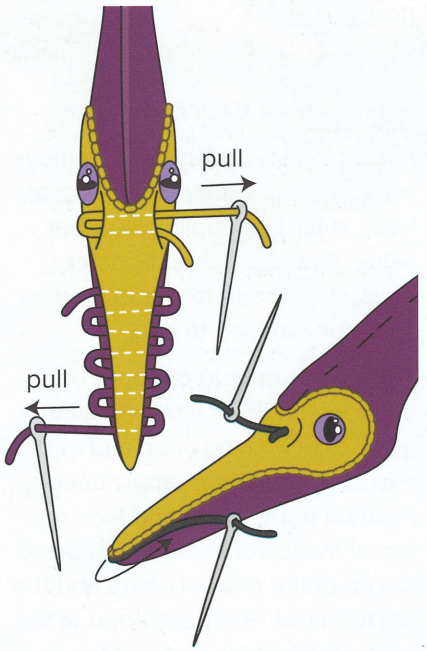
between the eye spots up to the tip of the crest. Fasten off and weave in yarn tails.



With dark purple, apply a running stitch back and forth between the left and right sides of the beak just below the bottom edge of the yellow upper beak to refine the shaping. With yellow, stitch back and forth through the sides of the upper part of the beak between the eye spots to shape the nose bridge.

With black, draw a long stitch from one corner of the beak to the other to separate the top and bottom. If needed, apply a few evenly spaced small stitches over the long stitch to shape and hold the beak line in place. Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

With black, apply 2 short stitches on either side of the nose bridge for nostrils.

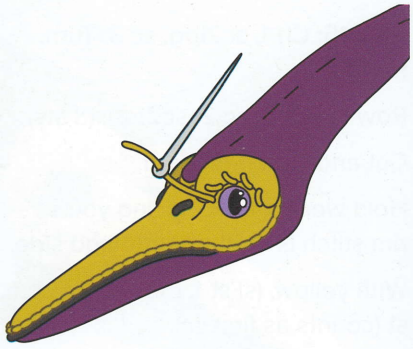


EYE RIDGE (Make 2)

With yellow, ch 5.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to eye spot.



BODY

In dark purple, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 3–4: Sc 12.

Rnd 5: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnd 6: Sc 10.

Rnd 7: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 8: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 9: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 10: Sc 20.

Rnd 11: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 12: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 13: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 2 times. (12 sts)

If using wire: To add some more support to the neck, take an 8-inch (20cm) paper wrapped floral wire and bend one end to form a 2-inch (5cm) loop. Insert into body, leaving wire long and trim as necessary once body is complete. Stuff, working the fiberfill around the wire.

If not using wire, stuff body. Continue to stuff as you work.

Rnd 14: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnd 15: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 2 times. (8 sts)

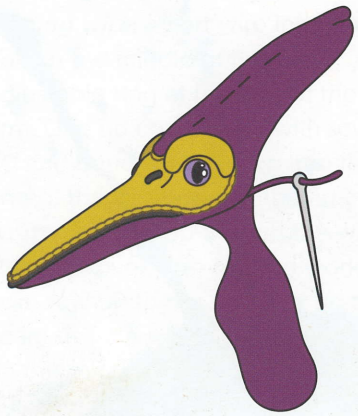
Rnds 16–17: Sc 8.

Rnd 18: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 19: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Cut and fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. If wire was installed, trim wire so 1 inch (3cm) is sticking up out of neck. Work the neck wire into the bottom of the head.

Pin the open edge of neck to bottom of head and back edge of lower beak, then sew in place using a mattress stitch. Add some additional stuffing if needed before closing seam.



WING (Make 2)

With yellow, ch 2.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loop, sc 1. Turn. (1 st)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st. turn. (2 sts)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 1. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 4: Ch 1, sc 2, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 5: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 3. Turn. (5 sts)

Row 6: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 2, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (5 sts)

Row 7: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 4. Turn. (6 sts)

Row 8: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 3, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (6 sts)

Row 9: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 2, hdc 3. Turn. (7 sts)

Row 10: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 4, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (7 sts)

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Row 11: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 2, hdc 4. Turn. (8 sts)

Row 12: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 5, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (8 sts)

Row 13: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 3, hdc 4. Turn. (9 sts)

Row 14: Ch 1, sc 5, pm in next st and turn, leaving remaining 4 sts unworked.

Row 15: Do not ch 1, sk 1, sl st 1, sc 1, sc2tog. Turn.

Row 16: Ch 1, sc 2, sc 1 in sl st, sc in pm st (remove pm), sc 1 in next st, Pm in next st. Turn.

Row 17: Do not ch 1, sk 1, sl st 1, sc 1, sc2tog. Turn.

Row 18: Ch 1, sc 2, sc 1 in sl st, sc 2 in pm st (remove m), sc 1. turn. (6 sts)

Row 19: Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 4. Turn. (7 sts)

Rows 20–22: Ch 1, sc 7. Turn.

Row 23: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 6. Turn. (8 sts)

Row 24: Ch 1, sc 5, pm in next st and turn, leaving remaining 3 sts unworked.

Row 25: Do not ch 1, sk 1, sl st 1, sc 1, sc2tog. Turn.

Row 26: Ch 1, sc 2, sc 1 in sl st, sc in pm st (remove pm), sc 2. Turn. (6 sts)

Row 27: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 5. Turn. (7 sts)

Row 28: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 3, sc 2 in next st, sc 1. Turn. (7 sts)

Row 29: Ch 1, sc 5, sc2tog. Turn. (6 sts)

Rows 30–33: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn.

Row 34: Ch 1, sc 4, sc 2 in next st, sc 1. Turn. (7 sts)

Row 35: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 6. Turn. (8 sts)

Row 36: Ch 1, sc 2 in next, sc 5, sc 2 in next st, sc 1. Turn. (10 sts)

Row 37: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 9. Turn. (11 sts)

Row 38: Ch 1, sc 11. Turn.

Row 39: Ch 1, sk 1, sc 6, sc2tog, leaving remaining 2 sts unworked. Turn. (7 sts)

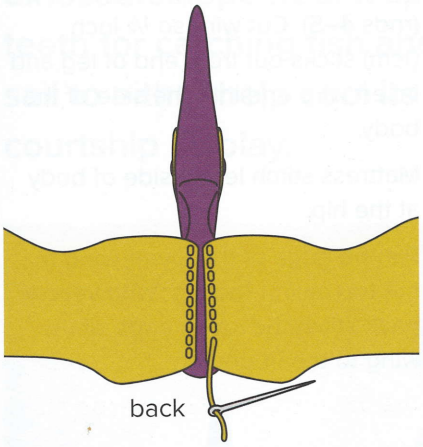
Row 40: Ch 1, sk 1, sc 3, sl st in next 3 sts.

Sc around entire edge of wing. When you reach row 1, sc into edge of row 1, ch 3, sl st in back ridge loop of 3rd ch from hook, sc in st at the base of the ch-3 to shape the

wing tip. Continue to sc around the remaining edge of the wing.

When working on 2nd wing, turn work and sc along the edge in the opposite direction so the sc detailing will be visible when the wing's direction is reversed for assembly.

Pin the flat edges of the wing (row 40) to the middle of the back so the sc border is facing out toward the front of your Pteranodon. With yellow, sew the flat edges to the back with a back or running stitch.



ARM (Make 2)

In dark purple, make an 8-st adjustable ring but do not pull yarn tail to close hole if you plan to install wire into the arms. Close hole if not using wire.

Rnd 1: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 2–7: Sc 6.

Stuff upper arm if not using wire. Continue to stuff lightly as you work.

If using wire: Do do not not stuff. Wire is installed once arm is complete.

Rnds 8–9: Sc2tog, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc2tog. (6 sts)

Rnds 10–14: Sc 6.

Rnd 15: Sc 2, sc2tog, sc 2. (5 sts)

Rnds 16–20: Sc 5.

Rnd 21: Sc 3, sc2tog. Turn. (4 sts)

Continue to work in rows.

Rows 22–27: Ch 1, sc 4. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 28: Ch 1, sc 1, sc2tog, sc 1. Turn. (3 sts)

Rows 29–39: Ch 1, sc 3. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 40: Ch 1, sc 1, sk 1, sc 1. Turn. (2 sts)

Rows 41–50: Ch 1, sc 2. Turn. (2 sts)

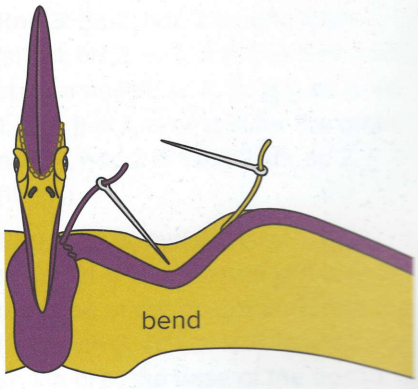
Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

If using wire: Insert wire into the hole in the middle of the 8-st adjustable ring at the beg of the arm. Line up end of wire with row 50 and bend a small loop into the end of the wire to blunt the tip. Wrap rows 22–50 around the wire. Using leftover yarn tail and working from row 50 to row 22, sew up the seam using a whip stitch. Repeat on the other arm. Trim wire sticking out from beg of arm to 1 inch (3cm) and insert into the side of the body at the shoulder (the shoulder should line up with the top edge of the wing).

If not using wire, whip stitch the edges of rows 22–50 tog.

Mattress stitch arm to body at the shoulder. Bend the arm at the elbow (rnds 8–9) so that the arm dips below the top edge of the wing. At about 8 rnds past the elbow, the arm should once again line up with the top edge of the wing. Bend the remainder of the wing (an extra-long finger) to match the shaping along the top half of the wing so row 50 of the arm matches up with the tip of the wing. Adjust elbow angle if needed. Pin arm to wing to hold placement.

With yellow, attach the back surface of the arm to the front of the wing from tip to shoulder. Repeat on the other wing.



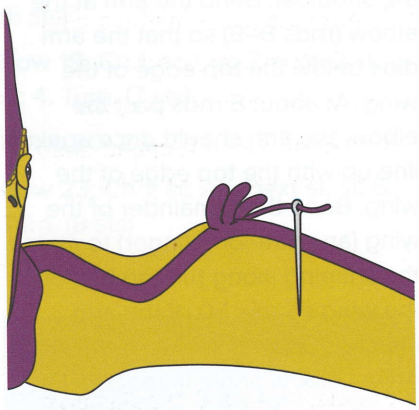
HAND (Make 2)

With dark purple, loosely ch 4.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, (sl st in next st, ch 5, starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, sl st in base st of ch-5) 3 times and fasten off, leaving a long tail.

With leftover yarn tail, sew the long side edges of one finger tog so the finger folds in half length-wise. Repeat on other 2 fingers.

Sew bottom edge of hand to the top edge of the arm at the point where the arm lines up with top edge of the wing after the elbow bend.



LEG (Make 2)

In dark purple, make an 8-st adjustable ring but do not pull yarn tail to close hole if you plan to install wire into the legs. Close hole if not using wire.

Rnd 1: Sc 8.

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 6.

Stuff upper leg if not using wire. Continue to stuff lightly as you work.

If using wire, do not stuff. Wire is installed once arm is complete.

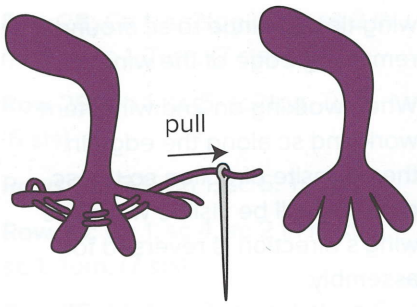
Rnds 4–5: Sc2tog, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc2tog. (6 sts)

Rnds 6–10: Sc 6.

Rnd 11: Sc 2, sc2tog, sc 2. (5 sts)

Rnd 12: (Sl st in next st, ch 5, starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, sl st in base st of ch-5) 2 times, sl st 1, (sl st in next st, ch 5, starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4, sl st in base st of ch-5) 2 times and fasten off leaving a long tail. (4 toes)

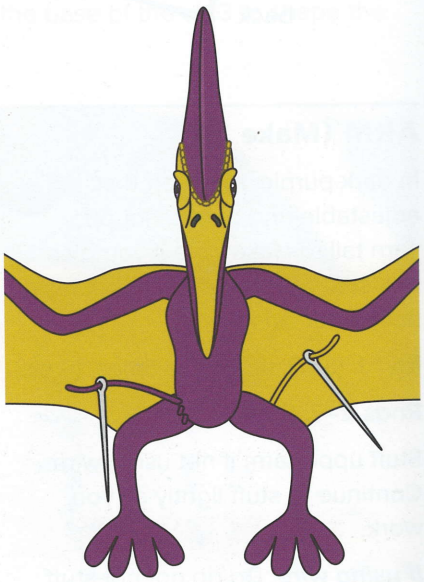
Fasten off yarn and close hole in bottom of foot. Sew the long side edges of one toe tog so the toe folds in half length-wise. Repeat on other 3 toes. Sew the bases of the toes tog to help reduce the amount the toes splay out.



If using wire: Make a small loop at the end of paper wrapped floral wire and insert wire into top of leg until the end of the wire reaches the foot. Bend the leg at the knee (rnds 4–5). Cut wire so ½ inch (1cm) sticks out from end of leg and insert wire end into the side of the body.

Mattress stitch leg to side of body at the hip.

Pin the edge of the lower wing to the top half of the leg. With yellow, back stitch the lower edge of the wing to the upper leg.



DIMETRODON

FINISHED SIZE: 15" long x 6" wide x 8½" tall (38 x 15 x 22cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

From the Permian period, the "two measures of teeth" Dimetrodon comes from the synapsids or "fused arch" family of mammal-like reptiles and went extinct 40 million years before the first dinosaurs appeared. It sported a mouth of sharp teeth for catching fish and probably used its large sail to either help cool its body or as part of its courtship display.

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in blue (225 yds/206m), tan (150 yds/138m), medium brown (75 yds/69m), black (5 yds/5m) and white (2 yds/2m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD, BODY & TAIL

With blue, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 12.

Rnd 3: Sc 2, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) in fl of next st for a nostril, sc 2, (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) in fl of next st for the other nostril, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc 2. (16 sts)

Rnd 4: Sc 6, fold the (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) forward and sc 1 in bl at the base of the nostril, sc 2, fold the (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) forward and sc 1 in bl at the base of the nostril, sc 6. (16 sts)

Rnd 5: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 6: Sc 20.

Rnd 7: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 8: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (28 sts)

Rnds 9–11: Sc 28.

Rnd 12: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 4 times. (24 sts)

If using safety eyes, install plastic eyes between rnds 10–11 with 6 to 7 sts of space between them.

Rnds 13–14: Sc 24.

Rnd 15: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 16: Sc 21.

Rnd 17: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 18: Sc 24.

Rnd 19: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnd 20: Sc 30.

Lightly stuff head and firmly stuff body. Continue to stuff body as you work.

Rnd 21: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 22–31: Sc 36.

Rnd 32: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 33–40: Sc 30.

Rnd 41: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnds 42–46: Sc 24.

Rnd 47: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnds 48–50: Sc 21.

Rnd 51: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 3 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 52–53: Sc 18.

Rnd 54: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 55–56: Sc 15.

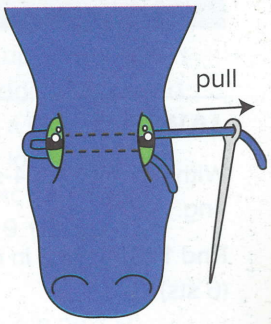
Rnd 57: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 58–60: Sc 12.

Rnd 61: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 62: Sc 9.

Rnd 63: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 3 times. (6 sts)



Cut yarn and fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Finish stuffing tail, close hole and weave in end.

If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between Rnds 10–11 with about 6 to 7 sts of space between them.

With blue, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.

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JAW

With tan, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 9.

Rnd 4: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 5–9: Sc 12.

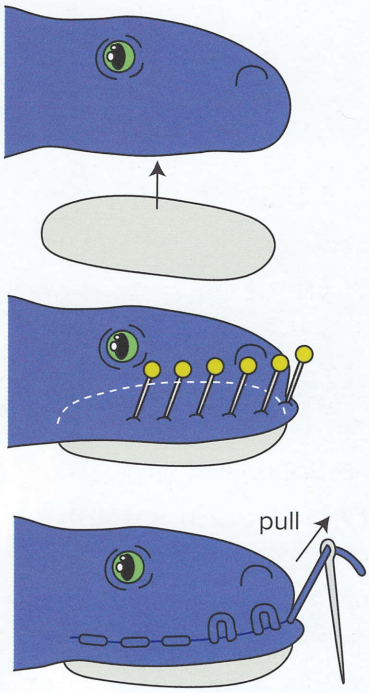
Rnd 10: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnd 11: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 5 times. (10 sts)

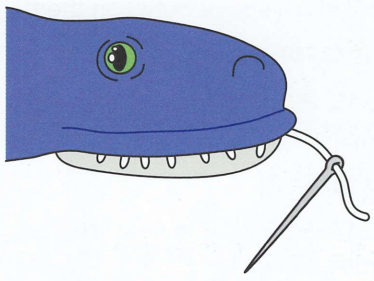
Stuff jaw firmly.

Rnd 12: Sc2tog 5 times. (5 sts)

Press and sink the top half of the jaw into the bottom surface of head allowing the head to wrap over the sides of the jaw. Pin the folded over edge to the jaw as illustrated. With blue and working 1¼ inches (3 to 7 cm) above the folded over edge of the head, apply a running stitch through the folded edge, catching the surface of the jaw as you work to shape and secure the upper lip.

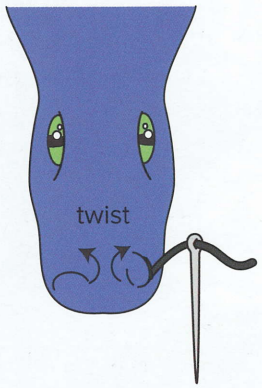


With white, embroider short and medium stitches onto the jaw, directly below the lip line, for teeth.



Twist the inside corners of the nostril details 1 to 2 rnds back toward the eyes to shape them and tack corners in place with a couple

of stitches. If desired, embroider a few stitches of black inside the nostril to help accentuate them.

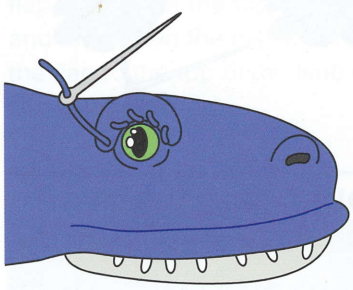


EYE RIDGE (Make 2)

With blue, ch 8.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 7 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head.



BELLY

With tan, loosely ch 5.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4. Turn. (4 sts)

Rows 2–5: Ch 1, sc 4. Turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 2, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (6 sts)

Rows 7–9: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn.

Row 10: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 4, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (8 sts)

Rows 11–22: Ch 1, sc 8. Turn.

Row 23: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 4, sc2tog. Turn. (6 sts)

Row 24: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn.

Row 25: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc 2, sc2tog. Turn. (4 sts)

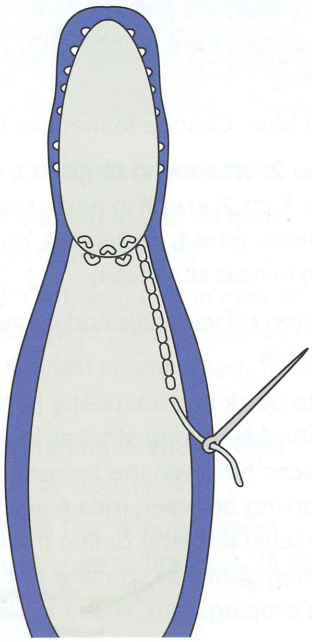
Row 26: Ch 1, sc 4. Turn.

Row 27: Ch 1, sc2tog 2 times. (2 sts).

Sc around entire edge of belly piece, putting 2 scs in the corner shaping where necessary. Fasten off in first st of row 27.

Pin row 1 edge of belly to the back edge of lower jaw where it meets the neck. Pin down the remaining edge to the neck and body.

Mattress stitch the row 1 belly edge to the back of the jaw, then back stitch the remaining belly edge to the body.



LEG (Make 4)

Starting with tan, make a 5-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (10 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 5 times. (15 sts)

Cut tan. Change to blue.

Rnd 3: Sc 15.

Rnd 4: Fpsc 15.

Rnds 5–6: Sc 15.

Rnd 7: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 8–9: Sc 12.

Rnd 10: Sc 3, pm, sc 5, (ch 4. With RS facing you, bring ch 4 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 5 sts) 2 times to create leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 3. (12 sts)

Rnd 11: Sc 1, Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 9. (12 sts)

Rnd 12: Sc 12.

Rnd 13: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 14–16: Sc 15.

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the

wire to the shaping of the leg, trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm), allowing wire to stick out at the top of the leg.

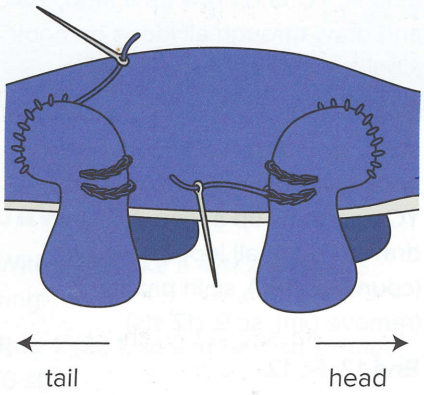
If not adding wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 17: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 5 times. (10 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Position the open ends of the legs flush against the sides of the body, inserting the wires if applicable. The limbs should be bent at a 90° angle at the leg bends. Pose legs with the front leg bends angled backward and the back leg bends angled forward and pin in place. Mattress stitch the tops of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



TOES

On rnd 3 of leg, find the center of the front of the foot and mark with a safety pin or pm.

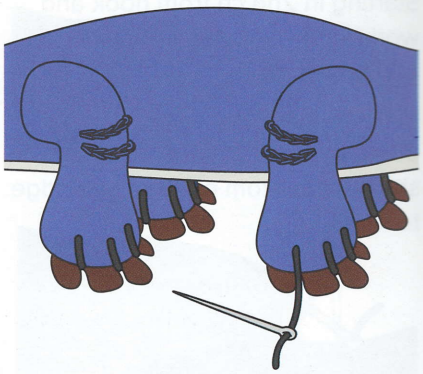
Row 1: Starting with blue and with the dinosaur facing you, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in 4th st to the right of center pm (counts as first sc). Sc 8 more sts across front of foot, ch 1. Turn. (9 sts)

Cut blue. Change to medium brown.

Row 2: Working in bl, [(sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st, sl st 1] 4 times, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st. (4 toes)

Fasten off yarn tails and weave in ends.

With black and a tapestry needle, embroider 3 long stitches in the spaces between the toenails (working between rnds 4 and 2 of the legs) to better define the toes, pulling gently as you sew to cinch the shaping.



SHOULDER & HIP FLAP (Make 4)

With blue, ch 13.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 3, hdc 6, sc 3. Turn. (12 sts)

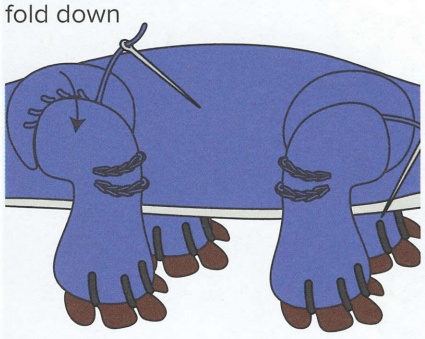
Rows 2–3: Ch 1, sc 3, hdc 6, sc 3. Turn. (12 sts)

Ch 1, hold first and last rows tog and sl st edges tog.

Wrap the sl st edge of hip/shoulder flap over the top of the hip/shoulder, flattening the flap against the body. Working along the underside of the flap, whip stitch

the sl st edge to where the top of the limb meets the body. Fold the flap down over the top of the limb and tack down the inside surface of the flap to the top of the limb with a few small stitches.

fold down



BACK FIN

TIP: You'll be cutting your yarn each time you change color, so be ready to weave in a bunch of ends!

Starting with tan, loosely ch 4.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 3. Turn. (3 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc 1, sc 2 in next st; cut tan, change to medium brown, ch 3, leaving last st unworked. Turn. (5 sts)

Row 3: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 5. Turn. (5 sts)

Row 4: Ch 1, sc 4; cut medium brown, change to tan. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 5: Ch 1, sc 4. Turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, sc 3, hdc 3 in next st; cut tan, change to medium brown, ch 3. Turn. (9 sts)

Row 7: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 8. Turn. (8 sts)

Row 8: Ch 1, sc 7; cut medium brown, change to tan, leaving last st unworked. Turn. (7 sts)

Row 9: Ch 1, sc 7. Turn.

Row 10: Ch 1, sc 5, hdc 2 in next st, dc 3 in next st; cut tan, change to medium brown, ch 3. Turn. (13 sts)

Row 11: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 12. Turn. (12 sts)

Row 12: Ch 1, sc 11; cut medium brown, change to tan, leaving last st unworked. Turn. (11 sts)

Row 13: Ch 2, hdc 3, sc 8. Turn. (11 sts)

Row 14: Ch 1, sc 7, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, dc 2 in next st, dc 3 in next st; cut tan, change to medium brown, ch 3. Turn. (19 sts)

Row 15: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 18. Turn. (18 sts)

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Row 16: Ch 1, sc 16; cut medium brown, change to tan, leaving last 2 sts unworked. Turn. (16 sts)

Row 17: Ch 3, dc 2, hdc 3, sc 11. Turn. (16 sts)

Row 18: Ch 1, sc 11, hdc 2 in next 3 st, dc 2 in next 2 st; cut tan, change to medium brown, ch 3. Turn. (24 sts)

Row 19: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 23. Turn. (23 sts)

Row 20: Ch 1, sc 21; cut medium brown, change to tan, leaving last 2 sts unworked. Turn. (21 sts)

Row 21: Ch 3, dc 4, hdc 4, sc 13. Turn. (21 sts)

Row 22: Ch 1, sc 13, hdc 4, dc 4; cut tan, change to medium brown, ch 3. Turn. (24 sts)

Row 23: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 23. Turn. (23 sts)

Row 24: Ch 1, sc 21; cut medium brown, change to tan, leaving last 2 sts unworked. Turn. (21 sts)

Row 25: Ch 3, dc 4, hdc 4, sc 13. Turn. (21 sts)

Row 26: Ch 1, sc 13, hdc 4, dc 4; cut tan, change to medium brown, ch 3. Turn. (24 sts)

Row 27: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 23. Turn. (23 sts)

Row 28: Ch 1, sc 21; cut medium brown, change to tan, leaving last 2 sts unworked. Turn. (21 sts)

Row 29: Ch 2, dc2tog 2 times, hdc2tog 3 times, sc 11. Turn. (16 sts)

Row 30: Ch 1, sc 11, hdc 3, dc 2; cut tan, change to medium brown, ch 3. Turn. (19 sts)

Row 31: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 18. Turn. (18 sts)

Row 32: Ch 1, sc 16; cut medium brown, change to tan, leaving last 2 sts unworked. Turn. (16 sts)

Row 33: Ch 3, sk 1, dc2tog 2 times, hdc2tog 2 times, sc 7. Turn. (11 sts)

Row 34: Ch 1, sc 8, hdc 3; cut tan, change to medium brown, ch 3. Turn. (14 sts)

Row 35: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 13. Turn. (13 sts)

Row 36: Ch 1, sc 11; cut medium brown, change to tan, leaving last 2 sts unworked. Turn. (11 sts)

Row 37: Ch 3, sk 1, dc2tog, hdc2tog, sc 5, leaving last st unworked. Turn. (7 sts)

Row 38: Ch 1, sc 7; change to medium brown, ch 3. Turn. (10 sts)

Row 39: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sc 9. Turn. (9 sts)

Row 40: Ch 1, sc 7; cut medium brown, change to tan. Turn. (7 sts)

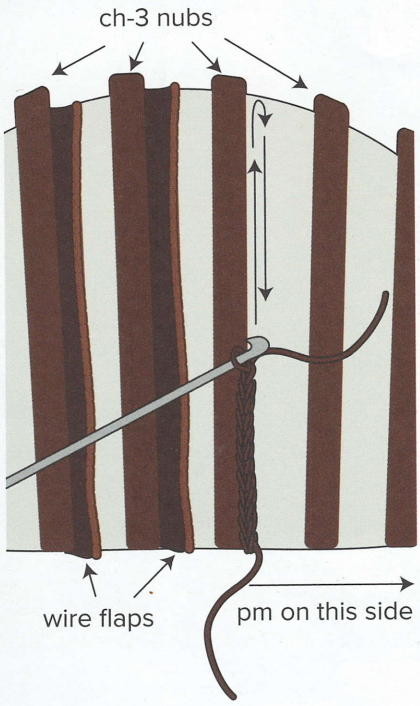
Row 41: Ch 3, sk 1, hdc2tog, sc 3, leaving last 2 sts unworked. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 42: Ch 1, sc 3, (sl st 1, ch 3, sl st 1) in next st and fasten off. Pm end of Row 42 to mark the front of fin.

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

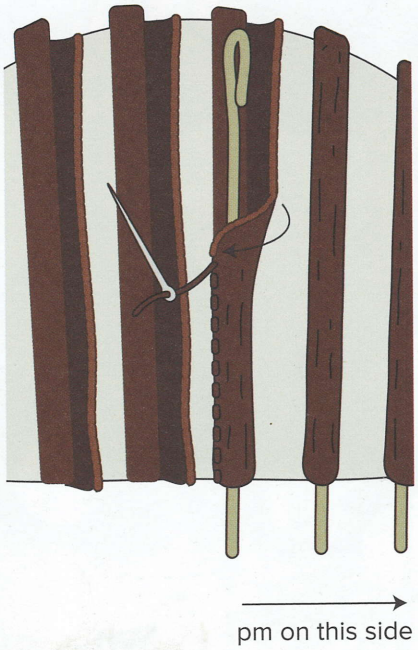
WIRE FLAPS

Hold the fin so the pm on row 42 is on the right side. Select any of the medium brown stripes and locate the last st along the bottom right edge of the stripe. With medium brown, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) to rejoin yarn. Working along the right edge of the stripe, sc from the base of the stripe to the top, stopping just before the ch 3 nub at the tip of the stripe. Turn. Sc 1 in each st until you reach your starting point at the base of the stripe and fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Repeat on the rest of the stripes to create 9 more wire flaps.



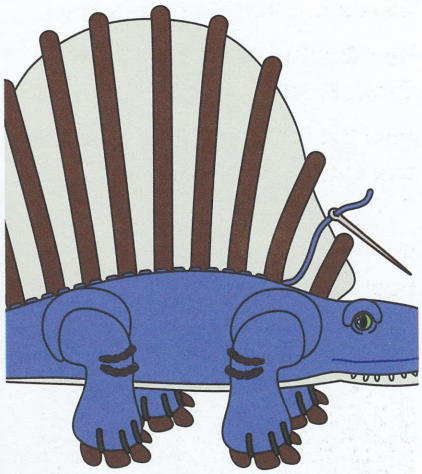
Cut a paper wrapped wire so the the wire is 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) longer than the selected stripe. Fold over the top ½ inch (1cm) of your wire to create a small loop. Place the wire in the middle the medium brown stripe with the wire flap to the right of the wire. The wire loop should sit just below the ch-3 nub at the top of the stripe. The extra wire will stick out at the bottom. Fold the wire flap over the wire and mattress stitch the edge of the flap down to hide the wire using the leftover yarn tail. Repeat on the rest of the stripes.

TIP: You can also add this flap detail to non-wired fins if you wish to "bulk up" the medium brown "spines" of the fin with a bit more yarn or by adding small strips of stabilizer foam or small amounts of fiberfill as you close up the seams.



Weave in all yarn tails. Insert wires into the back of the body with about 2 to 3 rows of space between them and with the pm from row 42 positioned near the head. With blue yarn, whip stitch bottom of fin to back of body.

If not using wires, weave in all yarn tails and pin bottom edge of fin along the back/spine of body with the pm from row 42 near the head. With blue yarn, whip stitch bottom of fin to back of body.



PACHYCEPHALOSAURUS

FINISHED SIZE: 14" long x 5" wide x 9" tall (36 x 13 x 23cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

With its dome-shaped head, the aptly named "thick-headed lizard" Pachycephalosaurus lived in the late Cretaceous period. Measuring about 15 feet long, it is hypothesized that these dinosaurs may have used their heads for ramming into the flanks of their rivals; another theory, running headlong into each other, is less likely based on the shape of their necks.

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in orange (225 yds/206m), ivory (50 yds/46m), tan (50 yds/46m), light brown (25 yds/23m) and black (2 yds/2m)
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD

With orange, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 3–4: Sc 12.

Rnd 5: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 6: Sc 16.

Rnd 7: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 8–9: Sc 20.

Rnd 10: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (24 sts)

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Rnd 11: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (28 sts)

Rnds 12–13: Sc 28.

If using safety eyes, install eyes between rnds 10–11 of the head with about 8 to 9 sts of space between them.

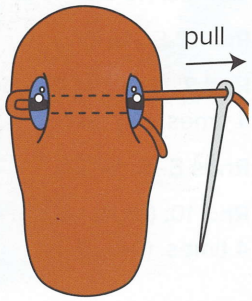
Rnd 14: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 7 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 15: Sc 21.

Rnd 16: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 7 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 17: Sc2tog 7 times. (7 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Stuff head firmly. Close hole in back of head.



If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between rnds 10–11 with about 8 to 9 sts of space between them.

With orange, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.

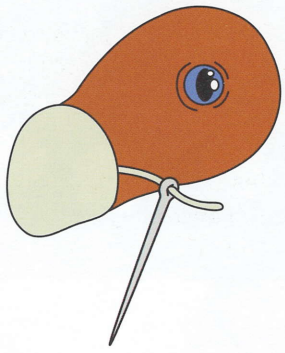
BEAK

With tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 3–4: Sc 12.



Place beak over the front of the face so covers the first 3 rounds of the head. Sew edge down with mattress stitch. Weave in ends.

JAW

With tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnds 1–2: Sc 6.

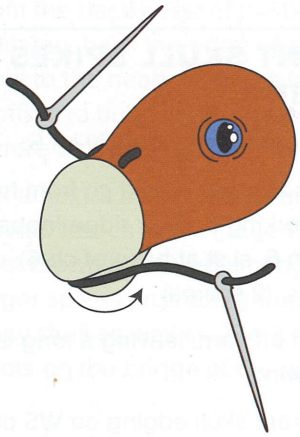
Rnd 3: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Stuff jaw and sew back edge shut.

Offset the back edge of jaw by one row with the back edge of the beak. With tan, mattress stitch back edge of the jaw in place. Draw yarn through the inside surfaces of the jaw and beak to help hold the jaw closed. Weave in ends.

With black yarn and a tapestry needle, and starting about 2 rnds behind the beak, draw a long stitch out from one corner of the mouth to the other, allowing the yarn to rest where the bottom of the beak and top of the jaw come tog. The black will help accentuate the mouth line. If needed, apply a few evenly spaced small stitches over the long stitch to hold it in place. Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

With black, apply 2 short stitches directly behind the back edge of the beak, 3 to 4 sts apart for nostrils.



BONY SKULL

With tan, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 3: (Hdc 1, pm, hdc 1, hdc 2 in next st, hdc 2, pm, sc 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 1) 2 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 4: Move and replace pms as you work; (sc 1, fpsc 1) 10 times.

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. The pms mark the front and back of the skull where the front and back spikes are to be installed.

TIP: Spikes are all optional. You can leave your bony skull plain or just apply 5-wrap french knots to the surface for a bit of texture.

No spikes option: If you do not wish to add any additional details to your bony skull, proceed to pin down the edge of the bony skull to the top of the head. The side edges of the bony skull will be 1 rnd above the eyes. The front edge of the bony skull should be 3 to 4 rnds from the back edge of the beak. Sew down edge of bony skull with a back stitch, adding a bit of stuffing to bulk up the bony skull before closing seam. Skip ahead to eye ridge.

BACK SKULL SPIKES

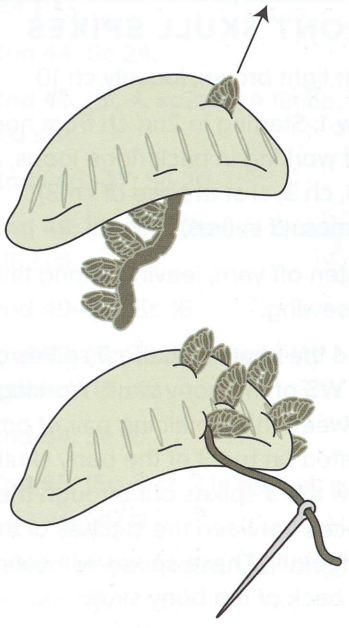
With light brown, loosely ch 22.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, (sl st 3, ch 4, sl st at base of ch-4) 7 times. (7 spikes)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Hold the chain with the 7 spikes on the WS of the bony skull. Working between one of the pairs of pms located on rnd 3 of the bony skull, draw the 7 spikes out through the spaces between the stitches of the bony skull. These spikes will define the back of the bony skull.

With light brown, apply a stitch at the base of each spike and the bony skull to hold the spikes in place.



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FRONT SKULL SPIKES

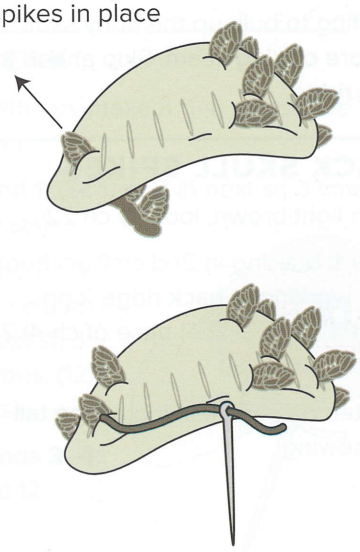
With light brown, loosely ch 10.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, (sl st 3, ch 3, sl st at base of ch-3) 3 times. (3 spikes)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Hold the chain with the 3 spikes on the WS of the bony skull. Working between the remaining pair of pms located on rnd 3 of the bony skull, draw the 3 spikes out through the spaces between the stitches of the bony skull. These spikes will define the back of the bony skull.

With light brown, apply a stitch at the base of each spike and the bony skull to hold the spikes in place



BACK SKULL SPIKES EDGING

With light brown, loosely ch 11.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, (sl st 2, ch 6, sl st at base of ch-6) 5 times. (5 spikes)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Hold back skull edging on WS of bony skull so that 5 spikes stick out from underneath the back edge of the bony skull. Using tan, tack the base chain of the spikes in place to the WS of the bony skull.

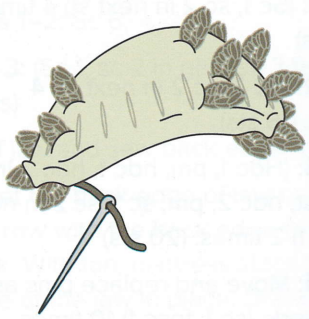
FRONT SKULL SPIKES EDGING

With light brown, loosely ch 5.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, (sl st 2, ch 6, sl st at base of ch-6) 2 times. (2 spikes)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

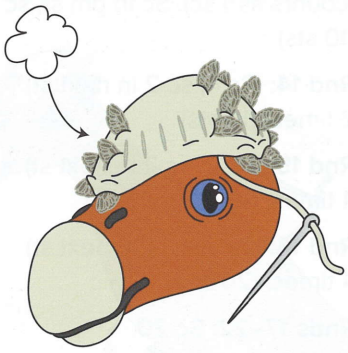
Hold front skull edging on WS of bony skull so that 2 spikes stick out underneath the front edge of the bony skull. Using tan, tack the base chain of the spikes in place to the WS of the bony skull.

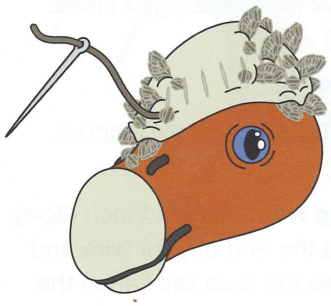


TIP: Even though you can tuck the yarn tails in, it is advisable to weave in the yarn tails of the spikes because the bony skull has a tendency for gapping between stitches (and the darker yarn tails may show through.

Pin down the tan edge of the bony skull to the top of the head. The side edges of the bony skull will be 1 rnd above the eyes. Take care to tack down the front and back edging in between each of the edge spikes with pins. The front edge of the bony skull (with the 2 edge spikes), should be 3 to 4 rnds from the back edge of the beak. With tan, back the edge of bony skull to the head, adding a bit of stuffing to bulk up the bony skull before closing seam.

For an extra bit of texture, apply 5-wrap french knots (page 16) in light brown scattered among the larger spikes protruding from the bony skull as well as 2 to 3 more knots on the bridge of the nose.



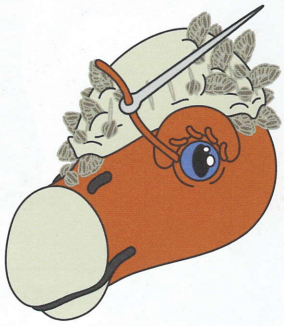


EYE RIDGE (Make 2)

With orange, ch 8.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 7 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head. The eye ridges will overlap the bony skull above each eye. Tack down the back side of the eye ridge to the sides of the bony skull with a few orange stitches.



BODY & TAIL

With orange, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 2–3: Sc 6.

Rnd 4: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 5–6: Sc 8.

Rnd 7: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnds 8–9: Sc 10.

Rnd 10: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 11–12: Sc 12.

Rnd 13: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (14 sts)

Rnds 14–15: Sc 14.

Rnd 16: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (16 sts)

Rnds 17–19: Sc 16.

Rnd 20: (Sc 7, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (18 sts)

Rnds 21–23: Sc 18.

Stuff tail. Continue to stuff body if not adding wire.

Rnd 24: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 25: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 26–27: Sc 30.

Rnd 28: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 29–30: Sc 36.

Rnd 31: (Sc 8, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (40 sts)

Rnds 32–33: Sc 40.

Rnd 34: (Sc 8, sc2tog) 4 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 35–38: Sc 36.

Rnd 39: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 40–42: Sc 30.

Rnd 43: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 44: Sc 24.

Rnd 45: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 46–47: Sc 20.

Rnd 48: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 49–52: Sc 16.

Rnd 53: (Sc 7, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 54: Sc 18.

Rnd 55: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st, sc 4) 2 times. (20 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

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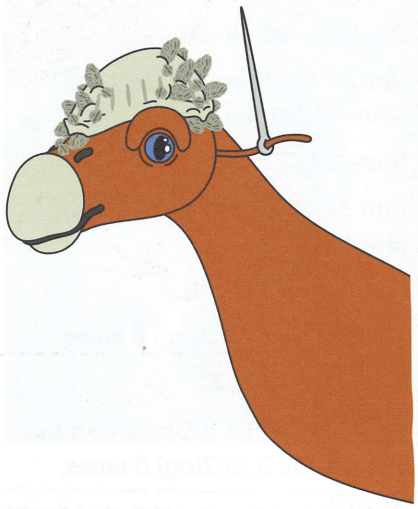
If using wire: To add some more support to the body and neck, take a paper wrapped floral wire and bend one end to form a 2-inch (5cm) loop. Insert the loop side down the neck and into the body and tail. Trim so that 1 to 2 inches (3 to 5cm) of wire sticks out from the top of the neck. Stuff the neck and body so the wire is enclosed in the stuffing. Work the neck wire into the back of the head.

Pin the open edge of neck to back of head and sew in place using a mattress stitch. Add some additional stuffing if needed before closing seam.



LEG (Make 2)

With orange, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (16 sts)

Rnds 2–3: Sc 16.

Rnd 4: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 5–6: Sc 12.

Rnd 7: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnd 8: Sc 10.

Rnds 9–10: Sc2tog 2 times, sc 1, *hdc 1, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, hdc 1,* sc 1. (10 sts)

Rnds 11: Sc 10.

Rnd 12: Sc 5, pm, sc 4, (ch 4. With RS facing you, bring ch 4 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 4 sts) 2 times to create leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc). (10 sts)

Rnd 13: Sc 3. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc). Sc in pm st, sc 5. (10 sts)

Rnd 14: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 15: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 16: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 17–22: Sc 20.

Rnd 23: (Sc 8, sc2tog) 2 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 24: Sc 18.

Rnd 25: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 6 times. (12 sts)

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop

end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

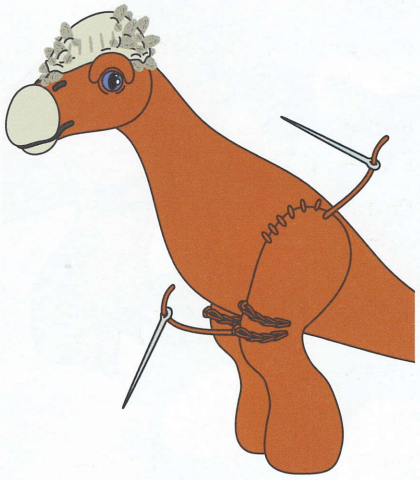
If not adding wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 26: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 4 times. (8 sts)

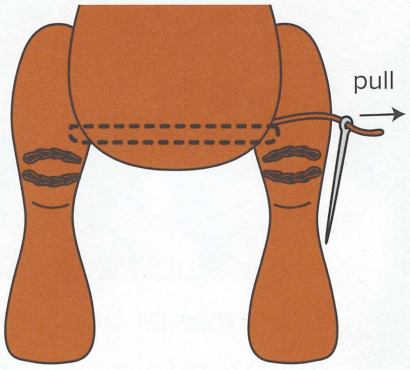
Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in top of leg.

With the leg bend facing forward, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper parts of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



To keep the legs from splaying out, attach yarn to the inside surface of one leg, pass yarn through the body to the inside surface of the opposite leg, and then back again through the body to the starting point. Pull to draw the legs close to the body, tie off the yarn, and weave in the end."



TOE (Make 6)

TIP: Keep the FP and BP sts loose to make them easier to work in.

Starting with ivory, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc 6.

Cut ivory. Change to orange.

Rnd 3: FPhdc 6.

Rnd 4: BPsc 6.

Rnd 5: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

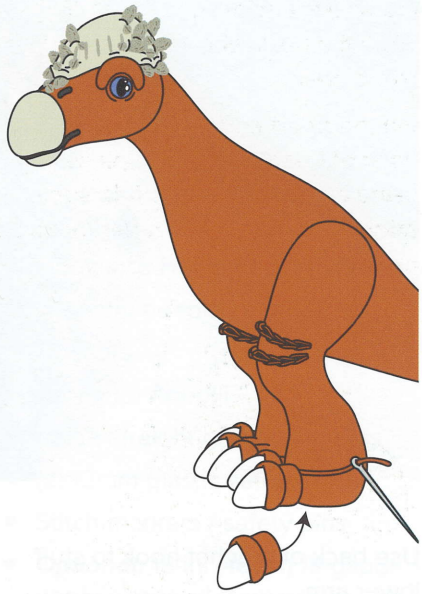
Fasten off yarn and stuff toe.

TOE CLAW RIDGE

Locate the beginning of rnd 4 of the Toe. There will be a rnd of surface loops from working in the back posts. In orange, with the claw pointed down and working in the surface loops, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in first set of surface loops (counts as 1 sc) and continue to sc 1 in each set of surface loops around. (6 sts)

Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

Sew the open edges of 3 toes to rnds 2–3 at the front of the leg. Repeat on other leg.



ARM (Make 2)

In orange, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 2–5: Sc 8.

Rnd 6: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 7: Sc 6.

Use back of crochet hook to stuff upper arm.

Rnds 8–9: Sc2tog, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc2tog. (6 sts)

Rnd 10: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 11: Sc 8.

Rnd 12: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 2 times. (6 sts)

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Use back of crochet hook to stuff lower arm.

Rnd 13: Sc 2, sc2tog, sc 2. (5 sts)

Rnd 14: Sc 2 in each st around. (10 sts)

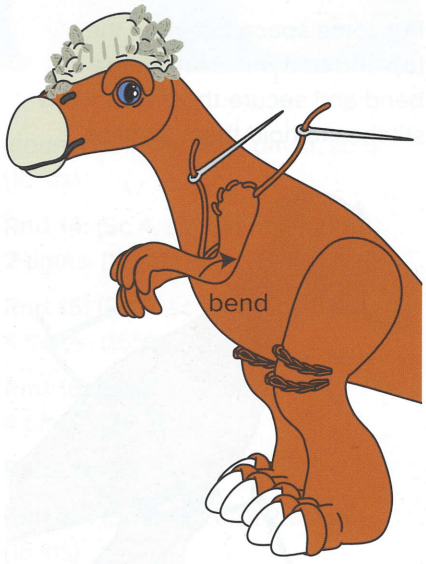
Continue to work in rows.

Row 15: Flatten open seam. (Sc through front and back edge at the same time) 5 times. Turn. (5 sts)

Row 16: Ch 1, (sl st in next st, ch 4, starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 3, sl st in base st of ch-4) 5 times and fasten off, leaving a long tail.

With leftover yarn tail, sew the long side edges of one finger tog so the finger folds in half length-wise. Repeat on other 4 fingers and weave in yarn tail.

Position arms along the sides of the upper body with the elbow shaping pointed down and pin in place. Using a mattress stitch, sew the side edges of the upper portion of the arms to the sides of the body. Bend arms at the elbow to pose, then sew the inside surface of the arm tog at the elbow to hold shaping in place.



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FINISHED SIZE: 16" long x 6" wide x 7" tall (41 x 15 x 18cm) | **YARN WEIGHT:** 5 BULKY

From the very end of the Cretaceous period, this "fused lizard" earned its name because various bones in its body were fused, resulting in one very rugged dinosaur. The thick armor covering its back is similar to the back of a crocodile, with bones forming within the skin. Along with rows of spikes and a 10-foot-long tail complete with club, this heavily armored dinosaur had good reason to keep up its defenses with hungry neighbors like the Tyrannosaurus.

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- Bulky-weight yarn in dark green (225 yds/206m), tan (150 yds/138m), medium brown (150 yds/138m), dark brown (75 yds/69m), and black (10 yds/10m).
- Hook size H (5mm) or I (5.5mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Polyester fiberfill
- Large straight or marking pins
- (2) 12mm plastic safety eyes
- Stitch markers / safety pins
- ***Optional:*** 18-in. (46cm) 18-gauge paper-wrapped stem wire

INSTRUCTIONS

HEAD, BODY & TAIL

With dark green, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 12.

Rnd 4: Sc 2, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) in fl of next st for a nostril, sc 2, (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) in fl of next st for the other nostril, hdc 2 in next 2 sts, sc 2. (16 sts)

Rnd 5: Sc 6, fold the (sl st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) forward and sc 1 in bl at the base of the nostril, sc 2, fold the (sl

st 1, ch 2, sc 1, sl st 1) forward and sc 1 in bl at the base of the nostril, sc 6. (16 sts)

Rnd 6: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnds 7–9: Sc 20.

Rnd 10: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 10 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 11–12: Sc 30.

Rnd 13: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 14: Sc 24.

If using safety eyes, install eyes between rnds 10–11 of the head with about 8 to 9 sts of space between them.

Rnd 15: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 4 times. (20 sts)

Rnd 16: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 10 times. (30 sts)

Rnds 17–18: Sc 30.

Rnd 19: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnds 20–21: Sc 36.

Stuff head and body. Continue to stuff body as you work.

Rnd 22: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 23–28: Sc 42.

Rnd 29: (Sc 6, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (48 sts)

Rnds 30–34: Sc 48.

Rnd 35: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 6 times. (42 sts)

Rnds 36–39: Sc 42.

Rnd 40: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 6 times. (36 sts)

Rnd 41: Sc 36.

Rnd 42: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 6 times. (30 sts)

Rnd 43: Sc 30.

Rnd 44: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 6 times. (24 sts)

Rnd 45: Sc 24.

Rnd 46: (Sc 6, sc2tog) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnds 47–49: Sc 21.

Rnd 50: (Sc 5, sc2tog) 3 times. (18 sts).

Rnds 51–54: Sc 18.

Rnd 55: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 56–58: Sc 15.

Rnd 59: (Sc 3, sc2tog) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 60–61: Sc 12.

Rnd 62: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnds 63–64: Sc 9.

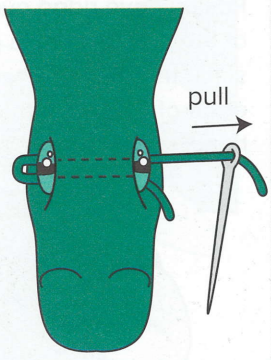
Rnd 65: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 3 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 66: Sc 6.

Rnd 67: Sc2tog 3 times. (3 sts)

Cut yarn and fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Finish stuffing tail, close hole and weave in end.

If not using safety eyes, embroider eyes onto head between rnds 10–11 with about 8 to 9 sts of space between them.



With dark green, draw a series of small stitches back and forth through the head around the edges of the eyes, pulling gently to sink the eyes into the head.

BEAK

With tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

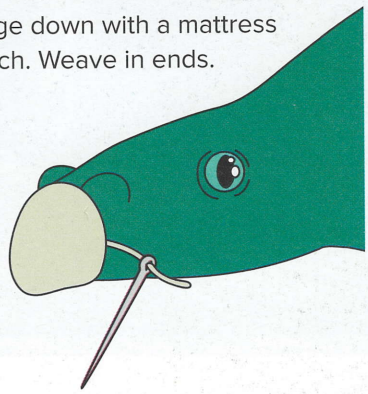
Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 3–4: Sc 12.

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Place beak over the front of the face so covers the first 3 rnds of the head in front of nostrils. Sew edge down with a mattress stitch. Weave in ends.



JAW

With tan, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnds 1–2: Sc 6.

Rnd 3: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (9 sts)

Stuff jaw and sew back edge shut.

Offset the back edge of jaw by one row with the back edge of the beak. With tan, mattress stitch back edge of the jaw in place. Draw yarn through the inside surfaces of the jaw and beak to help hold the jaw closed. Weave in ends.

With black and a tapestry needle, and starting about 2 rnds behind the beak, draw a long stitch out from one corner of the mouth to the other, allowing the yarn to rest where the bottom of the beak

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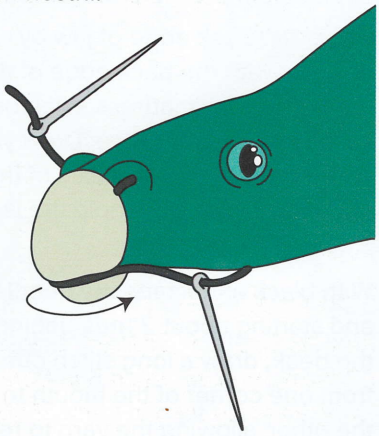
and top of the jaw come together. The black will help accentuate the mouth line. If needed, apply a few evenly spaced small stitches over the long stitch to hold it in place. Fasten off yarn and weave in ends.

With black, embroider a short perpendicular stitch at the base of each nostril.

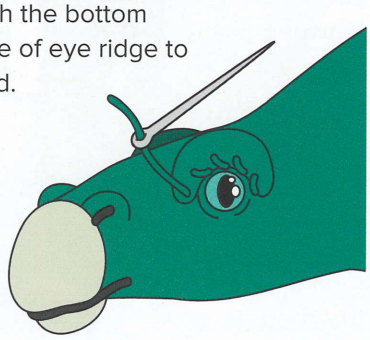


EYE RIDGE (Make 2)

With dark green, ch 7.

Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 6 and fasten off.

Position eye ridge over the top of the eye and pin in place. Whip stitch the bottom edge of eye ridge to head.



SMALLER HORN (Make 2)

Starting with tan, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnds 2–3: Sc 6.

Rnd 4: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

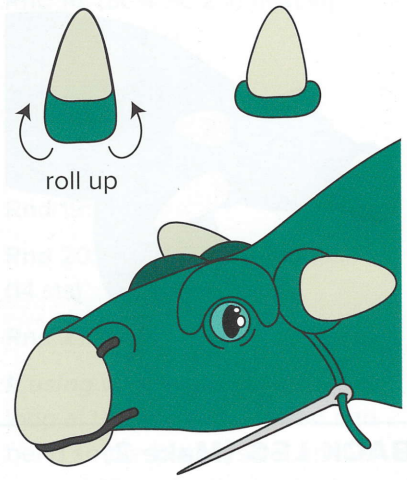
Cut tan. Change to dark green.

Rnd 5: Sc 2 in each st around. (16 sts)

Rnd 6: Sc2tog 8 times. (8 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Roll rnd 6 up and over rnd 5 to create a lip around the base of the horn. Stuff horn and attach open edge of horn directly behind the eye ridges.



LARGER HORN (Make 2)

Starting with tan, make a 4-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (6 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (8 sts)

Rnds 3–4: Sc 8.

Rnd 5: (Sc 3, sc 2 in next st) 2 times. (10 sts)

Rnd 6: Sc 10.

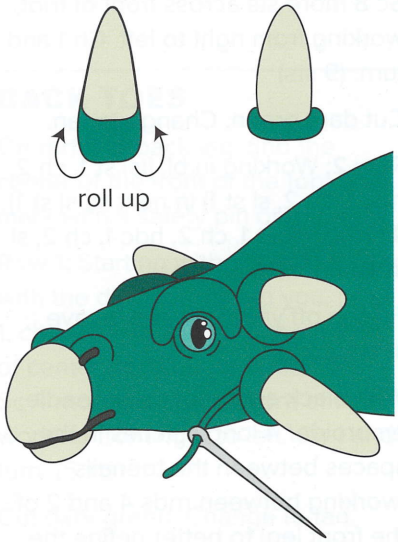
Cut tan. Change to dark green.

Rnd 7: Sc 2 in each st around. (20 sts)

Rnd 8: Sc2tog 10 times. (10 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Roll rnd 8 up and over rnd 7 to create a lip around the base of the horn. Stuff horn and attach open edge of horn below and 2 rnds behind the eye ridges.



FRONT LEG (Make 2)

Starting with medium brown, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Cut medium brown. Change to dark green.

Rnd 3: Sc 18.

Rnd 4: Fpsc 18.

Rnds 5–6: Sc 18.

Rnd 7: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 8–11: Sc 15.

Rnd 12: Sc 5, pm, sc 6, (ch 5. With RS facing you, bring ch 5 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and

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Rnd 13: Sc 3. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 10. (15 sts)

Rnd 14: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 15: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnds 16–17: Sc 21.

Rnd 18: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 7 times. (14 sts)

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

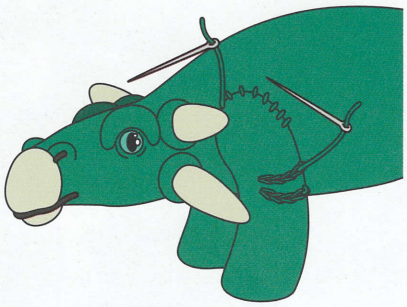
If not adding wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 19: Sc2tog 7 times. (7 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in the top of leg.

With the leg bend facing backward, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. Mattress stitch the edges of the upper half of the legs to the sides of the body.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



FRONT TOES

On rnd 3 of front leg, find the center of the front of the foot and mark with a safety pin or pm.

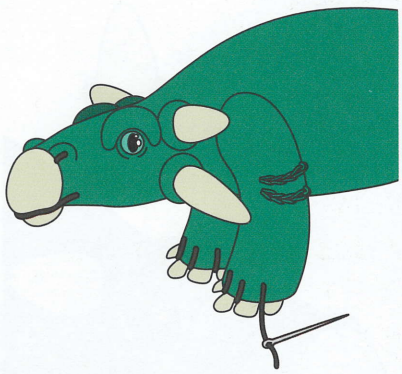
Row 1: Starting with dark green and with the dinosaur facing you, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in 4th st to the right of center pm (counts as first sc). Sc 8 more sts across front of foot, working from right to left. Ch 1 and turn. (9 sts)

Cut dark green. Change to tan.

Row 2: Working in bl, [(sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st, sl st 1] 4 times, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st. (5 toes)

Fasten off yarn tails and weave in ends.

With black and a tapestry needle, embroider 4 long stitches in the spaces between the toenails (working between rnds 4 and 2 of the front leg) to better define the toes, pulling gently as you sew to cinch the shaping.



BACK LEG (Make 2)

Starting with medium brown, make a 6-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: Sc 2 in each st around. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 6 times. (18 sts)

Cut medium brown, change to green.

Rnd 3: Sc 18.

Rnd 4: Fpsc 18.

Rnds 5–6: Sc 18

Rnd 7: (Sc 4, sc2tog) 3 times. (15 sts)

Rnds 8–13: Sc 15.

Rnd 14: Sc 5, pm, sc 6, (ch 5. With RS facing you, bring ch 5 in front of work, keeping yarn in back of hook. Sc 1 in pm stitch. Replace pm and sc in next 6 sts) 2 times to create leg bend (page 14). Insert hook into side edge of leg bend, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc 3. (15 sts)

Rnd 15: Sc 3. Insert hook into next st, YO and draw up a loop, insert hook into side edge of leg bend. YO and draw up a loop, YO and draw through all loops on hook (counts as 1 sc), sc in pm stitch (remove pm), sc 10. (15 sts)

Rnd 16: (Sc 4, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (18 sts)

Rnd 17: Sc 18.

Rnd 18: (Sc 5, sc 2 in next st) 3 times. (21 sts)

Rnd 19: Sc 21.

Rnd 20: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 7 times. (14 sts)

Rnd 21: Sc 14.

If using wire: Make a 1-inch (3cm) loop at the end of your wire and bend so the loop sits flat on the ground (like a foot). Insert wire loop end first into leg and trim leaving about 3 inches (8cm) sticking out the top. Stuff leg, working the stuffing around the wire. Bend the wire to the shaping of the leg, then fold the top of the wire down into the leg, working the end out through the side of the upper part of the leg (switch to opposite side for opposite leg). Trim remaining wire to 2 inches (5cm).

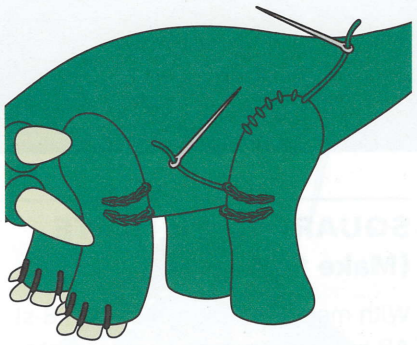
If not adding wire, stuff leg.

Rnd 22: Sc2tog 7 times. (7 sts)

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Close hole in the top of leg.

With the leg bend facing forward, position legs along the sides of the body (inserting wires into the body if applicable) and pin in place. Mattress stitch the edges of the upper half of the legs to the sides of the body. The body will angle down slightly with the tail sitting a touch higher than the head.

Put some space between the top and bottom chains of the leg bend and secure them with a few stitches to hold them in place.



BACK TOES

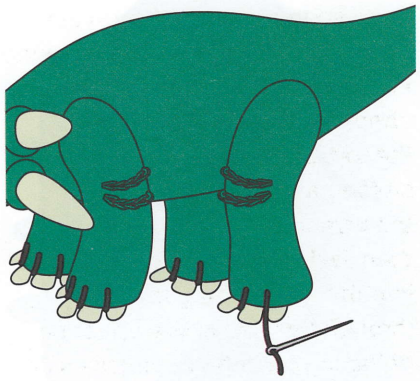
On rnd 3 of back leg, find the center of the front of the foot and mark with a safety pin or pm.

Row 1: Starting with dark green and with the dinosaur facing you, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) in 2nd st to the right of center pm (counts as first sc). Sc 4 more sts across front of foot working from right to left. Ch 1 and turn. (5 sts)

Cut dark green. Change to tan.

Row 2: Working in bl, [sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st, sl st 1] 2 times, (sl st 1, ch 2, hdc 1, ch 2, sl st 1) in next st. (3 toes)

Fasten off yarn tails and weave in ends. With black and a tapestry needle, embroider 2 long stitches in the spaces between the toenails (working between rnds 4 and 2 of the leg) to better define the toes, pulling gently as you sew to cinch the shaping.



TRIANGLE BACK PLATE (Make 6)

With medium brown, make a 6-st AR but do not close hole in center.

Rnd 1: (Sl st 1, [sc 1, hdc 1, sc 1] in next st) 3 times.

Cut yarn and sl st in bp of next st to fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

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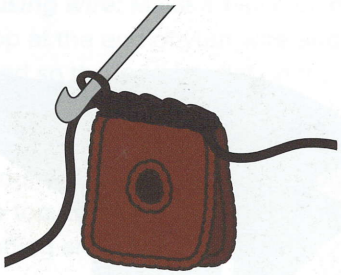

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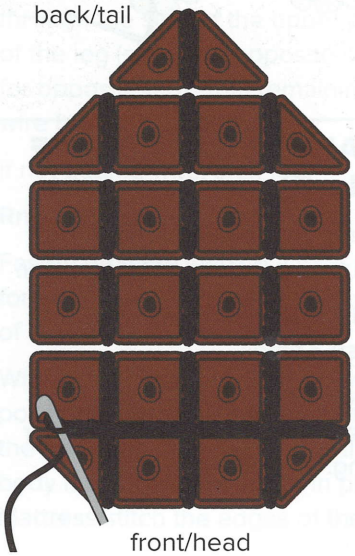


SQUARE BACK PLATE (Make 16)

With medium brown, make an 8-st AR but do not close hole in center.

Rnd 1: (Sl st 1, [sc 1, hdc 1, sc 1] in next st) 4 times.

Place two square plates WS tog and line up the top edges. Starting in the top right corner and working with dark brown yarn, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) through both corner sts at the same time (counts as 1 sc). Continue to sc 4 more stitches along top edge, working through both edges at the same time. (5 sts).

Cut and pull yarn through loop on hook to fasten off and line up the top edges.

Following the Shell Diagram illustration, repeat this process of connecting the edges of the squares and triangle plates to make strips. Once the strips are assembled, place the neighboring strips WS tog. Working from right to left, crochet the matching edges of the strips together in the same manner as the plate edges.

All leftover yarn tails will be hidden under the shell once it is sewn in place, so do not worry about weaving anything in. Trim all yarn tails to 2 to 3 inches (5 to 8cm) long to reduce the bulkiness.

SHELL EDGE

Hold assembled shell with RS facing up.

Rnd 1: With dark brown, (sl st 1, ch 1, sc 1) into the edge of the assembled shell (counts as 1 sc) and proceed to sc around entire edge of shell.

Rnd 2: Bpsc in each st around.

Fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

SHELL SPIKES

Follow small, medium and large spike instructions where marked. You'll be working the spikes into a long chain.

(SSpk) Small Spike: Ch 3, sl st in 3rd ch from hook. This creates a small spike loop.

(MSpk) Medium Spike: Ch 5, sl st in 5th ch from hook. This creates a medium spike loop.

(LSpk) Large Spike: Ch 7, sl st in 7th ch from hook. This creates a large spike loop.

Row 1: With tan, ch 5, (MSpk, ch 5, LSpk, ch 5, LSpk, ch 5, MSpk, ch 5) 2 times, (SSpk, ch 5, MSpk, ch 5, MSpk, ch 5, SSpk, ch 5) 3 times, (Sspk, ch 5) 2 times. Turn. (22 spikes)

Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in next 4 chs. *When you reach a spike, work the following sets of stitches into the small/ch 3, medium/ch 5, and large/ch 7 spike loops:

For small spikes, (sc 2, ch 2, sc 2) into ch-3 small spike loop.

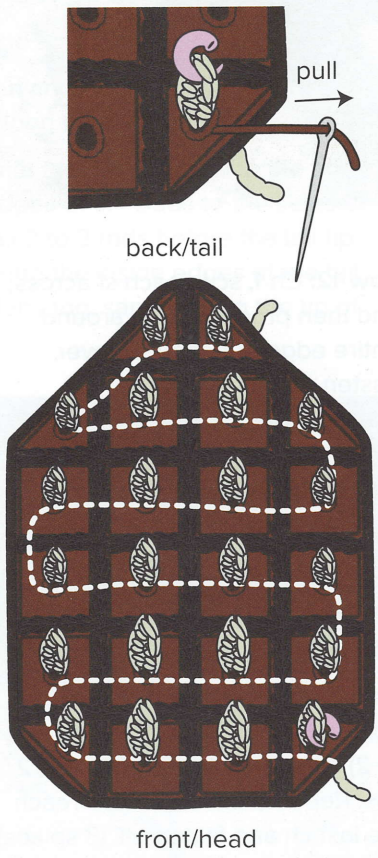
For medium spikes, (sc 3, ch 2, sc 3) into ch-5 medium spike loop.

For large spikes (sc 4, ch 2, sc 4) into ch-7 large spike loop.

Sl st in next 5 chs. Repeat from * until you reach the last 2 chs. Mark the last spike you worked on with a pm. Sk next ch and fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Following the Spike Placement diagram, hold the spike strip on the WS of the shell and insert the first shell spike (marked with a pm) through the open AR in the middle of the far right triangular back plate at the front of the shell. Once the spike is in position, pull on the back plate's adjustable ring yarn tail to tighten the opening around the spike's base. Proceed to insert the next spike through the next plate in the row in the same manner, working through the entire row before moving onto the next row. You'll be working back and forth through the rows of plates in a zigzag pattern.

Spike Placement



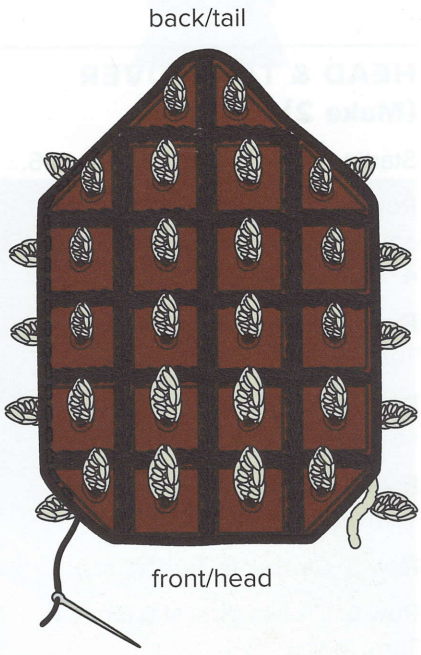
With medium brown, apply a stitch or two between the base of each spike and its back plate to keep the spikes from pulling out of their bases.

SHELL SIDE SPIKE (Make 2)

Row 1: With tan, loosely ch 4, (ch 5, sl st in 5th ch from hook, ch 4) 5 times. Turn.

Row 2: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in next 3 chs, *(sc 3, ch 2, sc 3) into ch-5 loop, sl st in next 4 chs. Repeat from * until you reach the last 4 chs and fasten off. (5 spikes)

With RS of shell facing up, tuck the chained-edge of the side spikes underneath the side edges of the shell so only the spikes stick out. They should line up with the first 5 rows of the shell. With dark brown yarn, attach using a running or back stitch. Repeat on other side of shell.



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HEAD & TAIL COVER (Make 2)

Starting with medium brown, ch 5.

Row 1: Starting in 2nd ch from hook and working in back ridge loops, sc 4. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, in bl, sl st 4 loosely. Turn. (4 sts)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc 2 in next st, sc 2, sc 2 in next st. Turn. (6 sts)

Row 4: Ch 1, in bl, sl st 6 loosely. Turn. (6 sts)

Row 5: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn. (6 sts)

Row 6: Ch 1, in bl, sl st 6 loosely. Turn. (6 sts)

Rep **Rows 5–6** 2 more times.

Row 11: Ch 1, sc 6. Turn. (6 sts)

Cut medium brown. Change to dark brown.

Row 12: Ch 1, sc in each st across, and then proceed to sc around entire edge of head/tail cover. Fasten off in first st of Row 12, leaving a long tail for sewing.

TAIL COVER SIDE SPIKE (Make 2)

Row 1: With tan, loosely ch 2, (ch 3, sl st in 3rd ch from hook, ch 2) 3 times. Turn.

Row 2: Starting in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in next ch, *(sc 2, ch 2, sc 2) into ch-3 loop, sl st in next 2 chs. Repeat from * until you reach the last ch and fasten off. (3 spikes)

With RS of tail cover facing up, tuck the flat edge of the tail cover side spikes underneath the side edges of the tail cover so only the spikes stick out. With dark brown, attach using dark brown and a running or back stitch. Repeat on other side of tail cover.

With RS of tail cover facing up, tuck the chained-edge of the tail cover side spikes underneath the front and back edges of the shell and attach using dark brown and a running or back stitch.

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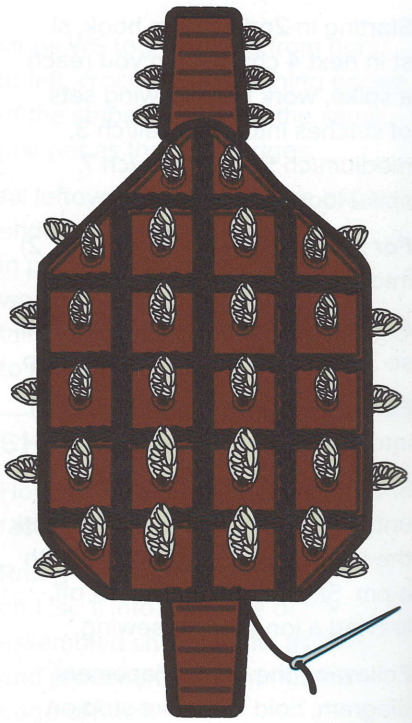
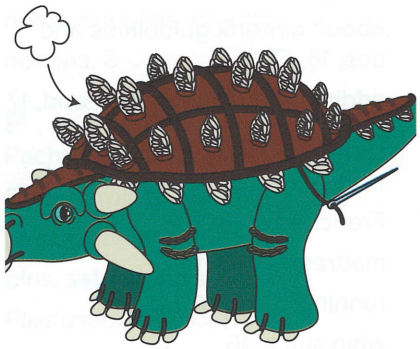


front/head

Once the shell is assembled, pin shell edge to back of body, overlapping the tops of front and back legs. Pin the head cover down between the smaller horns with its front edge sitting 3 rnds behind the nostrils. Pin the tail cover down over the top of the tail. Use a back stitch and dark brown to attach shell to top of body. Add a bit of stuffing between the shell and the body to add some more bulk to the shell before closing the seam.



TAIL CLUB (Make 2)

With tan, make an 8-st adjustable ring.

Rnd 1: (Sc 1, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnd 2: (Sc 2, sc 2 in next st) 4 times. (16 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc 16.

Rnd 4: (Sc 2, sc2tog) 4 times. (12 sts)

Rnds 5–6: Sc 12.

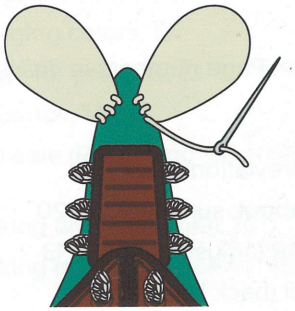
Stuff tail club.

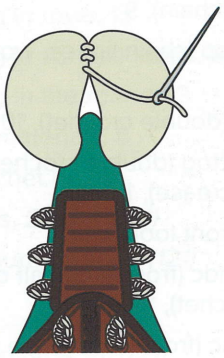
Rnd 7: (Sc 1, sc2tog) 4 times. (8 sts)

Rnd 8: Sc 8.

Cut and fasten off yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing.

With tan, mattress stitch the open edges of tail clubs to the sides of tail 2 to 3 rnds before the tail tip. Bring the inside edges of the tail clubs tog, sandwiching the tip of the tail between them. With tan, sew the insides surfaces of the tail clubs tog.





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*Repeat instructions following the asterisk(s) as directed

( ) or [ ]	Work instructions within ( ) or [ ] as many times as directed.
*	Repeat instructions following the asterisk as directed.
"	inch(es)
approx	approximately
AR	Adjustable (magic) Ring
beg	begin(ning)
bet	between
bl	back loop(s)
bp	back post
BPsc	back post single crochet
BPdc	back post double crochet
BPhdc	back post half double crochet
ch(s)	chain(s) or chain stitch(es)
ch-	refers to chain, or chain space previously made, such as "ch-1 space"
cm	centimeter
cont	continue(ing)(s)
dc	double crochet(s)
dc2tog	double crochet 2 stitches together—1 stitch decreased
dec(s)	decrease(ing)(s)
fl	front loop(s)
FPsc	front post single crochet
FPdc	front post double crochet
FPhdc	front post half double crochet
hdc	half double crochet(s)
hdc2tog	half double crochet 2 stitches together—1 stitch decreased
inc(s)	increase(ing)(s)
lp(s)	loop(s)
mm	millimeter
pm	place marker
rep(s)	repeat(s)
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	right side
sc	single crochet(s)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together—1 stitch decreased
sk	skip
sl	slip
sl st(s)	slip stitch(es)
sp(s)	space(s)
st(s)	stitch(es)
tog	together
tr	treble crochet
WS	wrong side
YO(s)	yarn over(s)
yd(s)	yard(s)

CROCHET HOOK SIZES

Millimeter	U.S. Size*
2.25mm	B-1
2.75mm	C-2
3.25mm	D-3
3.5mm	E-4
3.75mm	F-5
4mm	G-6
4.5mm	7
5mm	H-8
5.5mm	I-9
6mm	J-10
6.5mm	K-10½
8mm	L-11
9mm	M/N-13

*Letter or number may vary. Rely on the millimeter sizing.

PROJECT COLORS

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YARN WEIGHT CHART

Yarn Weight Symbol & Category Names	0 LACE	1 SUPER FINE	2 FINE	3 LIGHT	4 MEDIUM	5 BULKY	6 SUPER BULKY	7 JUMBO
Types of Yarns in Category	Fingering, 10 count crochet thread	Sock, Fingering, Baby	Sport, Baby	DK, Light Worsted	Worsted, Afghan, Aran	Chunky, Craft, Rug	Bulky, Roving	Jumbo, Roving
Crochet Gauge* Range in Single Crochet to 4"	32 to 42 sts	21 to 32 sts	16 to 20 sts	12 to 17 sts	11 to 14 sts	8 to 11 sts	5 to 9 sts	6 sts or fewer sts
Recommended Hook in Metric Size Range	1.4 to 2.25 mm	2.25 to 3.5mm	3.5 to 4.5mm	4.5 to 5.5mm	5.5 to 6.5mm	9 to 15mm	9mm and larger	15mm or larger
Recommended Hook in U.S. Size Range	Steel 6-8 to B-1	B-1 to E-4	E-4 to 7	7 to I-9	I-9 to K-10½	Steel M-13 to Q	M-13 and larger	Q and larger

Source: Craft Yarn Council's www.YarnStandards.com

*These are guidelines only. The above reflect the most commonly used gauges and hook sizes for specific yarn categories.

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For Irene and Rob.

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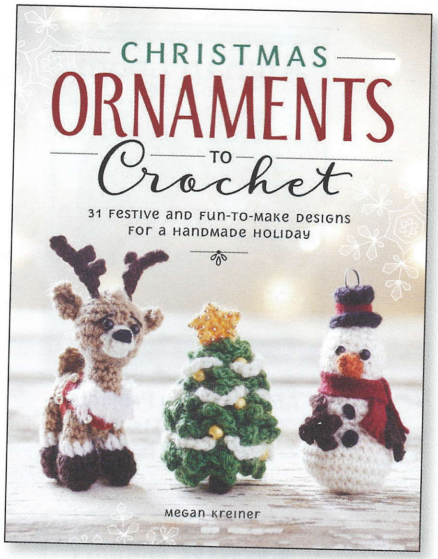

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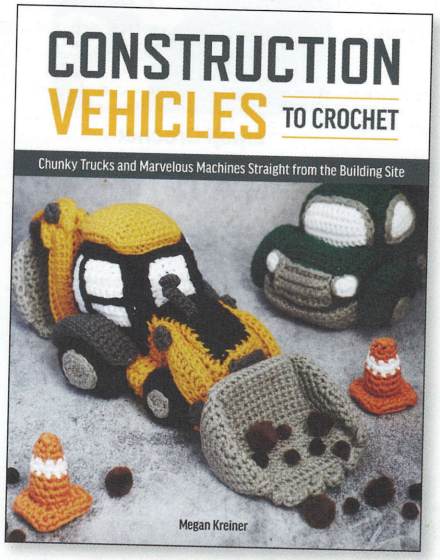
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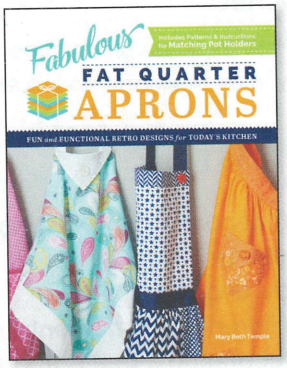

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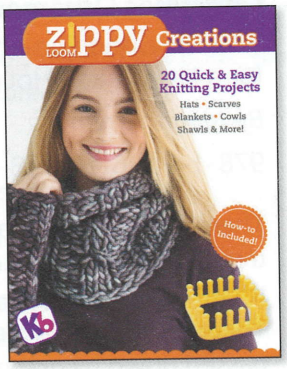

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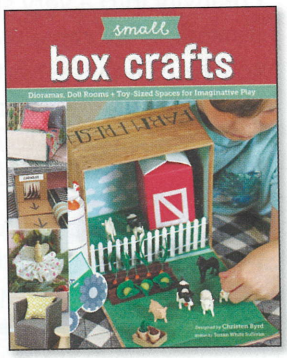

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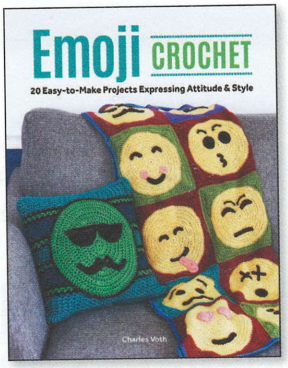

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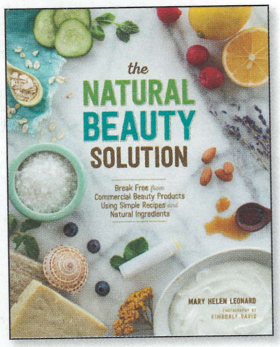

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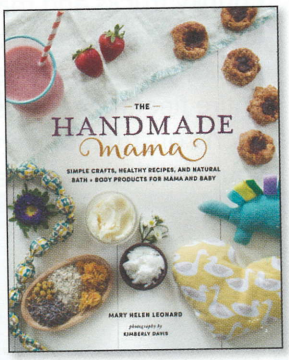

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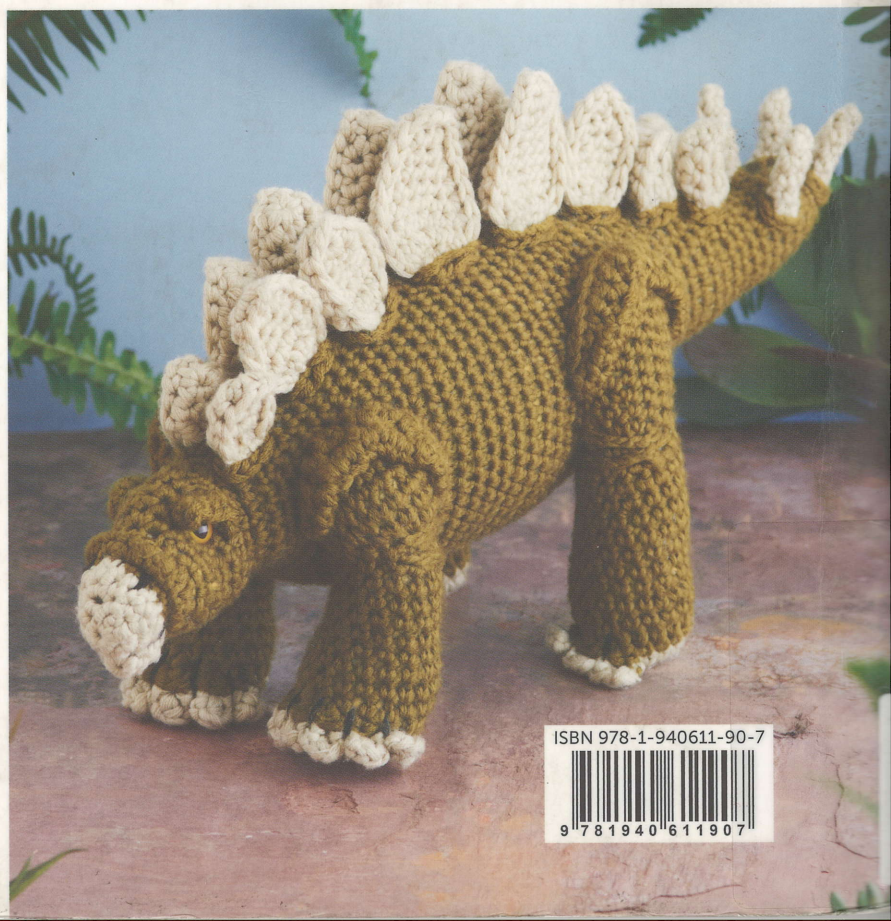

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